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to college journalism. It is our wish and determination that the STUDENT shall continue an honor to Bates and a pride to her students. And so this appeal to friends to co-operate not only in making retrogression impossible, but also in making advance certain. Let it continue the progressive exponent of Bates College interests, and the beacon light of Maine college journalism. Such must be her rank to keep pace with Bates scholarship, Bates athletics, Bates graduates, and Bates students.

This appeal can manifestly have no origin in any dearth of loyalty on the part of students as alumni. Their assistance in making the columns newsy, helpful, and interesting is equally ready and indispensable. But there is another side to journalism. A side which is not journalism, but is as essential to journalism as the latent power is to the electric flame,—the financial side. The sources of revenue are sufficient to afford ample and attractive mechanical service and a small bank account besides, provided these sources yield their appropriate annual incomes. But it is a fact that of our several hundred readers among the alumni not over two hundred and eighty are paying subscribers. It is also a fact that a less proportion of our regular readers in college are equally constant debtors. With a majority of these delinquents it is a matter of oversight. With others it is not. Out in the world the members of this latter class are called dead-heads, but we have no dead-heads in Bates, so we must term them “honorary members.”

Help the STUDENT lead in the race and she will help Bates beat in the race.

THERE seems to be a sentiment among many students that to be termed a “plugger” is the summit of disgrace. To squeeze through every examination, to cultivate a large biceps, and to acquire a reputation for “speed” are the only purposes of a college education. How this idea originated it is difficult to understand, for nothing could be more absurd. Whatever may be said to the contrary, the primary end of a college training is to develop the student mentally. Cultivation of the body is essential indeed, but it is not the main object. Nor can this object be attained to any satisfactory degree without earnest, persistent application. The man who is the worker in college will be the worker out of college, and sooner or later his work will tell. He may not acquire great wealth, it is true, but wealth is not his standard of success. In his own way he will be successful, and surely if any one can judge truly of success, it is he, with his keen, educated mind. “If,” as Mr. Depew says, “a college education adds three hundred per cent. to a man’s productive powers, it is not that education acquired by four years of idleness or languid study.” It is the education gained by work, by good, honest “plugging.” By this means alone can the best results of a college course be attained. So do not be ashamed to be called a “plugger.” “Plug” in the class-room, and out of the class-room, and whenever you get an opportunity. And if Nature has endowed you with the most ordinary ability, you will end your college course a well rounded man.

A MEMBER of the editorial board of the *Dartmouth Lit.* makes a spicy attack, in the December issue, upon the lecture system of conducting recitations. He turns back regretfully to the old days of text-books and "plugging," and then looks fearfully ahead to the time when "the student" will be graduated from college with a package of illegible note-books in his hand and nothing in his head."

After bewailing the time lost in the "mere mechanical labor of copying" he closes by indulging in the rather irreverent wish that "college professors were obliged to take a course in normal training and methods of teaching before beginning their work." The students at Bates do not, as a rule, complain of too many lectures, on the contrary we believe that a more general adoption of the system here would meet with their hearty approbation. Nor do we believe that the system is so productive of evil as our contemporary would wish to prove. The college lecture, if it fills the place intended, should stimulate to greater research on the part of the individual student than the mere committing of so many text-book pages each day could possibly do, and in this respect, at least, its field of usefulness is great. The personal magnetism of the professor, too, if he be the man his position calls for, should do much to enthuse his classes in the particular branch of study of which he has charge, and it seems reasonable that this result can be reached more readily through a lecture arranged to meet the particular needs of the class before him, than by relying upon text-

books, the best of which are never entirely satisfactory. Even the mechanical work of copying has the advantage of requiring the undivided attention of the student while in the class-room, and we believe that a collection of well preserved note-books may become a valuable addition to a student's library. That the lecture system is a step ahead in the march of educational progress, seems, at any rate, not to be doubtful in the minds of our greater educators.

WHATEVER calling the college graduate may select, it is important that he be a good public speaker. The true orator has open to him many avenues of usefulness by which he can attain success. Whether medicine, teaching, or whatever his profession may be, he can greatly increase his influence and usefulness by the ability to express his thoughts in a pleasing and forcible manner.

While our literary societies are of inestimable value, they cannot fully meet the demands of him who would become a finished speaker. Nearly every young man has habits peculiar to himself, that need the attention of a practical teacher of elocution. The society critic may be fully aware of these habits, but it is a very delicate matter to give a public criticism of personal peculiarities, and so the critic ignores them. The college recognizes this difficulty and, after the Freshman year, furnishes a professional instructor whose business it is to attend to these very matters, but many students place but little value upon his suggestions. The special exercises that he gives are

rarely practiced. It is true that the rehearsals are, in most cases, promptly attended, but these are of little value unless supplemented with honest work.

What we need at Bates is more enthusiasm in our public declamations. Our students work for months on their "Sophomore Debates" and consider two or three weeks amply sufficient for the preparation of a difficult declamation. While we would not detract one iota from the interest in the debates, we would like to see an increased interest in the declamations.

THERE can be no more distinctive title for the present century than the age of printing. Our country alone supports twenty thousand periodicals and publishes annually five thousand books, two-thirds of them newly written. This wonderful change from the conditions of former times requires a like change in the methods of readers. Sad to say, the world's knowledge has not grown in proportion to its books. This enormous volume of literature is but the tail of a comet about a small nucleus of truth. Few books contain so many new ideas and pertinent facts as to be worthy of a careful perusal of every page. New ideas and new truths come rarely to even the keenest intellects; the bulk of reading matter is repetition.

There is no better mental exercise for the student than to rapidly run over a book, page after page, and skillfully sift out just those things which are of value to himself from the mass of material which although of interest to others yet has no importance for him.

This requires great self-denial, for the library is never so full of interesting sketches, brilliant oratory, beautiful verse, keen wit, and dry sarcasm, as when one is engaged in the study of some abstract subject, but he who will accustom himself to read only what applies to his subject, here a paragraph, there a sentence, and to resolutely pass over the remainder, will find himself abundantly repaid in his rapid progress, saving of time, and quickened mental perception.

THE comparatively small attendance at the opening of the winter term and the increased burdens of those who return late usually render the work in the literary societies less satisfactory than during any other portion of the year. The crowded time of the student and the multitude of demands upon his attention in other directions make the slighting of literary work and attendance at meetings seem advisable to many. But we must bear in mind that increased burdens and responsibilities bring increased opportunities, and these are just as valuable during the present term as any other. These opportunities are priceless and they last only during the four years of our college course. The members cannot afford to let their meetings drag, even for a night. To those who have not been in the habit of participating, begin to take part *now*. Allow us to remind the busy student, and especially those who have not returned, that the winter vacation is an admirable time to prepare some part for society. The surroundings of many during the winter

are quite conducive to work of this nature, and the person is unjust to himself, not to say to his society, who does not return with a mind enriched by experience and study, prepared to take an enthusiastic part in society meetings.

THE recent alumni meeting in Boston was of unusual importance. Questions of vital interest to Bates were discussed. A decision relative to restricting the number of young women to be admitted each year threatens to press itself upon the authorities. Such an apparent change of policy at this stage of success as a co-educational institution could but be lamented. But the stern reality of inability to accommodate the increasing numbers must be dealt with. Such a misfortune—a misfortune of broadening prosperity—can be averted only by increased philanthropy of donors. But should increased funds be forthcoming it would be a question of grave and stubborn uncertainty with the trustees, whether to provide facilities for an increased number, or to improve the facilities for the present number. For instance, could the provision of better library privileges be wisely subordinated to increased general accommodations?

Another question must surely suggest itself to the more conservative of our alumni. Is it desirable to increase the proportion of young women to young men above the present ratio? Only the over-zealous in the interests of co-education would answer in the affirmative. The fact that Bates is classed with Bowdoin, Colby, and similar colleges, rather than with equally

serviceable female institutions ought to be considered. Again, as one of the strongest attractions to energetic young men choosing a college, the matter of athletic supremacy—in itself of minor importance—should not be overlooked. In the different institutions large classes have shown an indisputable tendency to follow successful athletic seasons. An increase in the proportion of women would be a decrease in the amount of material for these contests in which colleges vie. The debated increasing number of young women to young men and the actual decreasing number of young men consequent upon waning athletic interests, could lead to but one result. With the men constantly approaching their limit, zero, and the women constantly approaching their limit, entirety, what that result would be, is evident. We suggest this, not as a threatening calamity, but rather as a presumably unintended result. None would be more pleased to see the accommodations for young women enlarged; but in unison let us see the general facilities so improved as to attract a corresponding number of young men, that the present golden proportion may be maintained.

Consider what you have in the smallest chosen library. A company of the wisest and wittiest men in a thousand years have set in best order the results of their learning and wisdom. The men themselves were solitary, impatient of interruption, fenced by etiquette; but the thought which they did not uncover to their bosom friend is here written out in transparent words.—*Emerson*.

Literary.

ETHICS IN POLITICS.

By F. L. HOFFMAN, '93.

ANY force which tends toward the moral elevation of a man indirectly affects the moral elevation of a community. What the primary causes are for the awakening of this force is now and always will be an unrevealed mystery. Yet nothing is more manifest than that its benign influence is incessantly present not only in the government of that man and community, but also in the government of the whole people.

In the life of the latter, politics constitutes a most essential scene; and a most important character in that scene is moral character, which is simply the fruit of these different seed forces. What are these ethical seeds? They are that innate knowledge which teaches the human race the need of government as a maintenance of the distinction between man and beast; that essence of civilization which preserves and fosters this government; that love of justice which distinguishes right from wrong, good from evil, and desires every person to receive according to his worth; that conscientious duty which impels man to the ascertainment of what is for the best interests of his country and for every inhabitant of it; that fidelity to citizenship which makes every other consideration subordinate to the public welfare and subservient to the glory and honor of the nation; that instinct of manhood which abhors all artifices to deceive and delude and admires with

pure esteem that spirit of frankness and candor which has the courage to publicly plant "love of country" next to "love of God" as the dearest tree in all its cherished garden of joy and hope.

With these moral forces as watch-words march onward the triumphant columns of the successful party of to-day, at the sight of whose banner all thoughts of self or family are lost in that one absorbing theme, "Our Country," and in whose ranks are found advancing side by side the rich and the poor, the learned and the unlearned, the religious and the irreligious, the father and the son, and sometimes even the mother and the daughter. All are actuated by their conception of right, which incites them to support this or that party.

The most of our citizens are life-long party men, who, because of some moral question, as the right of certain men to make their fellow-creatures slaves, have chosen their party for better or worse and will stand by it through thick and thin, now and forever. Others may have formerly belonged to a party of the principles opposite to those which they now support—men who, as is said of William E. Gladstone, "change their politics with the tide." But if such men's ideas alter with the experience of advancing years and they leave their party of friends for a party of strangers, sometimes their bitterest enemies, does it not proclaim the force of morals is at work? No one can knowingly say,

"My party is the one which will do the country the most good."

The moral question arises here, Shall we go to the front when honor calls us or shall we lag in the rear as examples of cowardice and hypocrisy?

There will always be various opinions of what is right and various ideas of which policy to pursue, but these variances are mainly formed with the utmost adherence to truth and rectitude. Yet others may believe in the principles upon which a party was founded but not in the new acquisitions to those principles, and so form a new party; the men who, as has been declared of Edmund Burke, "sometimes change their mode of action but never their ground"; the men who, in following the dictation of their conscience for good government, have the manliness to come forward as champions of their cause, battling against the furious abuse showered upon them by the partisans; weak in numbers but strong in their trust in the right, in what they believe to be for their country's good. Still others may compose that class who declare themselves as belonging to no party; those whom that unscrupulous politician terms "those enlightened unselfish and patriotic citizens," that is, if they work against the other party. But if they injure the prospects of his party, he calls them "a set of brainless fops and pharisees." Nevertheless these men of moral courage and individuality become our most valued citizens and our most exemplary purifiers of politics.

Often we see large numbers of citizens organized simply for the pursu-

ance of self-gain. Often we see an organization formed for an honest purpose under the leadership of a selfish and unprincipled man who bleeds its uncautious members of their rightly-intended votes. Often we see a cloud of false statements kept afloat by some ignorant or crafty person, holding an irresistible sway over the minds of a large number of our most respected citizens, that calls to mind that blot on the history of France when heresy was the ruler of its people.

Is it unnatural that our faith in politics totters and seems about to fall? It is then that our trust in the American people becomes as the day; however much it may be obscured by the darkness of night, it awakes with increased resplendency and power at the rising of the sun.

These organizations, leaders, and falsehoods are only ephemeral. They come and go like epidemics, but unlike them they leave the people with renewed strength, stronger in their determination not to swerve from their sense of duty.

The people in general zealously hope to understand the needs of the government, and when such a course is known they earnestly endeavor to follow it. That garrulous politician who preaches to the people with the idea that they are mostly weak-minded and can be twisted at pleasure by his sophistries, soon loses the respect of his fellow-men, if he ever had any. But he is most honored who in a straightforward manner addresses his fellow-citizens with integrity and pure morals on his side and teaches them the justice and patri-

otism which they owe as men to their country. An honest sentiment of the people, however much flattered or disguised by the partisan, will sooner or later be expressed in their untainted ballots.

In this dawn of the second century of our republic we see swift-winged time leave far behind the scene of fierce barbarism for the realm of gentler civilization, the sea of cruel war for the land of sweeter peace, the party of dead issues for the party of progress and reform, which, clothed in spotless morals, it is the hope of the American people, may conduct the government with imperishable honor and everlasting purity.

FATE OF THE VILLE DU HAVRE.

BY W. W. HARRIS, '94.

IT IS the 22d day of November. We are on shipboard. It is the beautiful steamship *Ville du Havre*, owned at Havre by the General Transatlantic Company. She is 435 feet long, 46 feet beam, 5,000 tons burthen; square-rigged, double propeller; fitted and furnished in elegant style. Her saloons and cabins are gilded and equipped with the finest of upholstery,—everything seems to say, "This is the place to be contented and happy."

The afternoon has been somewhat crisp,—a cold wind blowing from the northwest. It is now evening. The day has been spent in reading, social conversation, and forming new acquaintances, which it is mutually hoped may continue much longer than simply during the short voyage we are now making

together. We have outlined our intended tour through Europe to our new-made friends and fellow-passengers. All on board are buoyant with good cheer and hopefulness for a safe and pleasant passage. Indeed, every indication is now favorable to a speedy arrival.

At sunset a few light clouds are seen scattered upon the eastern horizon, which rather give luster to the smiling farewells of the setting sun than cause fear in any heart.

There is no sign of a storm. The captain is tried and faithful, and a braver crew never sailed a ship; hence there is no need of alarm. So we all with the utmost composure ejaculate one to another our admiration of the gorgeous sheen which now has spread out and covered the vaulted sky. A thin, misty veil scattered everywhere, is refulgent with beauty, and casts magnificent shadows upon the bronzed canvas of the sea. The western horizon is aflame with streaks of scarlet and gold. The dark waters seem to moan in their loneliness. East, west, north, and south they stretch out their liquid arms as if to seize the vanishing pictures; but these soon silently disappear and leave the "boundless waters to beat and moan" as they toss on the swelling flood our one, lone bark. Our ship seems to catch the spirit of the hour, and as if to bring cheer to old Neptune, she lifts her majestic prow more grandly than before; and as the black smoke curls away in the distance and is scattered by the freshening breeze, she gracefully leans upon the crested waves. On she ploughs through

the dark waters, dashing the spray far out from her bow. The foam boiling and surging along her sides, eddys away at the stern, and finally bidding adieu to the proud queen of the sea, sinks to rest in the folds of mother ocean. There is no moon, no stars. All is now dark. The blackness of night brings a solemn hush to all voices, and a gloomy stillness seems to pervade every one on board. We can now hear only the constant boil of the sea, the dismal wail of the wind, the creaking cordage, the clanking of the rudder chains, the perpetual beat of the engines, and the footsteps of the sailors on deck.

After singing a few hymns and committing ourselves to the care of Him who is our keeper on sea as well as on land, we all retire to our respective state-rooms and leave the ship to the care of the faithful crew.

The minutes seem like hours, and yet we are not conscious of any fear. Twelve o'clock and all is well; and yet an indescribable and an unaccountable solemnity possesses every soul on board. Another hour has passed, with but little sleep, yet no one moves. A half hour longer, and a faint glimmer of light steals into our room, which brings the hope that the clouds are disappearing or that the stars are breaking through the heavy black mist. If we could only catch a glimpse of a single star in this dark night on the troubled sea, while the waves are roaring their hoarse notes and the winds join in the sullen chorus, it would seem like a light shining from the windows of home. Home! Did we ever prize thee before? Friends and loved ones soundly sleep-

ing there! Shall we ever meet and greet them again? Their last smile still lingers in our memories; their last pressure of the hand still throbs in our hearts! Oh, to be home on this dark night! But, be still! We must go to sleep and forget our loneliness.

In a moment all is forgotten, save the last thoughts of home, which to us now are real; and our hearts are thrilled and swell with emotion and gratitude as we relate to our loved ones the experiences of that dark night.

A fearful CRASH, as of falling timbers, wrenches our ship from stem to stern. The air reverberates with the awful blow. "All hands on deck!" goes up the shrill cry. We awake from our pleasant dreams to witness the wildest confusion. Shouts, shrieks, yells, rend the air; and the moaning waves and sullen winds bear the wild cries far off over the broad expanse; but no ear can be reached by that cry for help, save that of Him who "heareth the ravens when they cry, and careth for the bleating of the young lambs."

In a moment all are on deck,—men, women, and children; some in their night robes; some in their agonizing frenzy have actually torn off their night coverings and are literally naked. Other cries than those from our ship ring out through the darkness and are lost on the wide sea. Oh, ye winds, do ye mock us in this dark hour? Does the black, yawning sea send back our cries for help, to die upon our own lips? Is this a dream, a hideous nightmare, or have we collided with the Furies in mid-ocean? The blood stagnates in our veins; the brain whirls and surges

as if the skull would break! Oh, ye gods of Tartarus, spare us from this horrible death! But what is that black monster across our bow? Ah, it is a huge coffin for our burial! But it is peopled with living beings, whose frenzied cries are even fiercer than our own. The darkness is rendered still darker by this weird spectre. In a moment and a fierce tongue of fire bursts from the side of this frightful monster right at our bow and lights up the strange horrors, adding new terror to the seething mass of misery. Has hell itself belched forth with fire and smoke, vomiting up demons incarnate? The sea boils more fiercely than before; the winds howl like ravening wolves.

Our eyes behold a fearful spectacle of broken timbers, planks, yards, and spars, with men and women clutching their little children and clinging to the floating wreckage. All are trembling in wild confusion amid the raging, foaming sea. The top of the strange monster is filled with nearly a half thousand souls who, writhed with agony, stand paralyzed in the face of certain death.

There is no time for delay! As the heavens resound with the shrieks and prayers that go up amid lurid sheets of flame the life-boats are launched and the work of rescue begins. But in fifteen minutes the huge monster, with its freight of human souls, has disappeared beneath the liquid flood, never to rise again; and the cold waves roll on, without once stopping to mark the spot where two hundred and twenty-six souls in one brief moment were ushered into eternity, and their bodies swallowed up by the pitiless sea.

This is not a dream. It is not a vision nor a mere fancy sketch. It is a tale of sad reality.

The historic facts are as follows: At two o'clock in the morning of November 22, 1872, the steamship *Ville du Havre*, when in mid-ocean, en route from New York to Havre, was struck about midships, or opposite the machinery, by the British iron sailing ship *Loch Earn*, breaking a hole in her side about thirty feet long by twelve feet deep. She sunk in fifteen minutes, carrying nearly all on board, eighty-seven persons only being rescued by the life-boats of the *Loch Earn*.

NEW HAMPSHIRE IN LITERATURE.

By W. S. C. RUSSELL, '95.

AS New Hampshire, containing fewer inhabitants than the metropolis of New England, furnished more than her full share of brawn for the Civil War, so she has furnished her full share of brain for the advancement of American literature. Should I say more than her share Bostonians might object. They must, however, agree with me in saying that a better spot for the birthplace and training of statesman, novelist, or poet can not be found than in the shadows of the granite hills.

The pioneers of our literature have long since passed away. Among those who have erected imperishable monuments to their own memory are: Hosea Ballou, founder of Universalism in America, and author of several religious works; Jeremy Belknap, for twenty-two years a pastor in Dover,

but better known by his excellent history of New Hampshire; and Carlos Wilcox, author of much meditative verse and many stories. Eminent theologians are numerous. Among those remembered as bright, active men of letters are James Freeman Clarke, Henry W. Bellows, William Dexter Wilson, Thomas C. Upham, Dexter Waterman, and Rev. Atwood B. Meservey, who is also well known as an able educator and the author of a series of books on book-keeping and political economy. Besides these the State has furnished scores of able divines for the largest pulpits throughout New England, also many college professors. Well known among the latter is Rev. O. B. Cheney, one of the founders and, for many years past, the president of Bates College.

Many New Hampshire writers are well known to the magazine readers, either by their true or assumed names. Among such contributors are Fannie Huntington Runnels, Henry A. Blood, and George Bancroft Griffeth.

Henry Wilson, author of "Rise and Fall of Slave Power in America," Geo. Quackenboss, Nathaniel Holmes, Alexander Everett, and James Fields, the author-publisher, are all well-known writers. Charles A. Dana, the able editor of the *New York Sun*, and the two successful critics and book reviewers, Frank B. Sanborn and Charles F. Richardson, are New Hampshire men. So is Charles Carleton Coffin, the popular war correspondent of the *Boston Journal*. He is well known to the youth of our land by his "Days and Nights on the

Battlefield," "Winning His Spurs," and "The Boys of '76."

New Hampshire has three sons of whom she is justly proud: Horace Greeley, founder of the *New York Tribune* and star journalist of America; Joseph Worcester, America's greatest lexicographer; and Daniel Webster, America's, if not the world's greatest orator and statesman.

Though we claim no great poet for New Hampshire, we assert that the varied richness of our mountain and lake scenery has attracted and inspired all of New England's bards. Often, when wearied with the incessant toil of the college class-room, they have flung aside the text-book for a brief vacation, and sought the invigorating air and wonderful scenery of the White Hills. Taking up the "harp that mouldering long had hung on the witch elm," the strings, responsive to the old accustomed touch, transmitted to our ears such strains as Longfellow's "Mad River," Emerson's "Monadnock," and Whittier's "Merrimac" and "Bridal of Penacook."

Many wonder that a state so richly endowed by nature has produced no poets. The idea is erroneous. The lake region and mountain fastness for nearly a century have been the haunts of the Muse. Through various mediums she has given to literature odes and ballads, besides volumes of legends that would have done credit to Scott or Macaulay. Portsmouth boasts of having reared the popular poet and editor of that well-known magazine, the *Atlantic Monthly*. From the pen of Celia Thaxter, on the Isles of Shoals comes

the most beautiful ocean poetry in our language. Edna Dean Proctor, of Henniker, is known to the reading world as the author of many sweet lyrics. Among White Mountain poets are "Marion Douglass," Rev. J. E. Rankin, Rev. Amos B. Russell, B. P. Shillaber, and Harriet M. Kimball, so well known by her "Swallow Flight of Song." Mrs. Nancy Priest Wakefield has given us a "gem of purest ray serene," and immortalized herself by "Over the River."

C. C. Lord, of Hopkinton, has been before the public some time as a thoughtful, active writer, but his legendary poems, chief among which are "Mary Wordwell" and "Abram Kimball," have secured him a permanent place among New Hampshire poets.

Our friends at the Hub might call it presumption for us to claim the Quaker poet. But he loved to be in New Hampshire

Where the great Notch mountains shone,
Watched over by the solemn-browed and awful
Face of Stone.

He saw

Through their granite seaming
The smiles of reason beaming.

And

Where the Great Lakes sunny smiles
Dimples round its hundred isles,

he spent his summers, found his inspiration, and wrote his poems.

What a pity it is that our great hills, piled to the clouds, our rivers, overhung by forests, should be shorn of their Indian names and their legends pass into oblivion! Why does not some one rise to sing the glory of

Echo Lake, the rarest jewel of the White Mountain cabinet of curiosities? That "Wizard of the North," Sir Walter Scott has immortalized Loch Katrine, a little tarn in the Trosachs, which but for him would be unknown. But Echo Lake is truly a wonder and is yearly visited by thousands. Surrounded as it is by rugged and awe-inspiring mountains, clothed with primeval vegetation, rich in legends and traditions of Nature's child, watched over by the grand and awful Face of Stone, it seems strange and sad that no master genius has arisen to immortalize it and himself by weaving one of these legends into a grand epic for the millions who love and adore the Switzerland of America. These stories are fading from the minds of the settlers and looking up to the great hills we must say with Hiawatha:

Lo! how all things fade and perish!
From the memory of the old men
Fade away the great traditions,
The achievements of the warriors,
The adventures of the hunters,
All the wisdom of the Medas,
All the craft of the Wabanos,
All the marvelous dreams and visions,
Of the Jossakeeds, the prophets!

New Hampshire has a few novelists, but she has yet to produce a star. Many and thrilling are the tales, the scenes of which are laid in Maine and Vermont; but few, very few, in the Granite State. What James Fenimore Cooper has done for New York in preserving the exploits of the Seven Nations and the last two great sachems of the Delawares, Chingachgook and his son Uncas; what Egbert Craddock has

done for the Tennessee mountains, what scores have done and are doing for the South and West; what Scott and Dickens have done for the British Isles, does it not remain for some kind and loving pen to do for dear old New Hampshire? Surely here is a field ungleaned, a spot far more romantic and beautifully sublime than bonny Scotland or the Switzer's mountain home. No village or mountain hamlet but what is teeming with records of Indian battles, daring and heroic exploits of her pioneers, and the persevering efforts of honest sturdy husbandmen, toiling for the promulgation of truth and the perpetuation of liberty.

Among these people are the materials

for many interesting and instructive novels, in their conflicts, their victories, their lives, and their loves. The material is simply moss-encrusted and needs only the eye of genius to see it, the soul and hand of genius to uncover and to pen it. And like Dickens:

—— from these create he can
Forms more real than living man!

Who is to do this? He may come from across the sea, from the far West, or he may be born at the foot of the everlasting hills of old New Hampshire. He may be to-day struggling with Greek and Latin in some New England college, but come he will. And we trust his advent is not far off.

Poets' Corner.

RIVERSIDE CEMETERY IN DECEMBER.

Sad is the place; from thickset cedarn rows
And scattered pines the birds long since are
flown;
Through leafless maple twigs a cold wind
blows;
And down below, the withered grass alone,
With wrecks of autumn bloom and dead leaves
strown,
Carpets the mounds which still the snow de-
lays
To hide from the dull cheerless winter days.

Sad, but still beauteous; softly the green
pines
Sway their long branches tremulous in the
breeze;
Slanting from where the westering sun de-
clines,
Its light falls tenderly on grass and trees,
Bathing the quiet slopes in golden peace,
Brown fields and copses to the river's brim,
And hills beyond in purple distance dim.

Sad,—nay, not sad; exultant in the light
The fragrant pine-trees tower against the blue;
Boughs in last season's leaf no longer dight
A thousand buds await to clothe with new;
Green, here and there, fresh spires of grass
show through,
Heralds of Spring, soon coming to adorn
The graves whose dwellers wait a new life's
morn. —G. M. C., '93.

OUR PARTING.

I mind it well; how we two stood together,
In the green, gracious time so long ago,
When Night and Day were sadly met together
And the full harvest moon hung pale and
low.

When Hope and Love were sadly bending o'er
us,
Weeping soft tears of melancholy dew,
And the dim waste of years spread out before
us.
Barren and trackless, loomed upon our view.

Oh, when the years are into moments crowded,
 Fate weaves an aspect of mysterious dread,
 For Hope, to tear-dimmed vision ever shrouded,
 Wails low among the tombstones of the dead.

I feel them yet, thy lips so sweet and tender,
 In all their ripened beauty pressing mine,
 And with a dreamy joy my soul surrender
 To the ecstatic fellowship of thine.

Yet I shall meet thee in the halls of slumber,
 And kiss thy cheek and press thee to my
 heart,

And by the throbbings of its pulses number
 The intervening moments ere we part.

Still I shall stretch my hands to thee with
 yearning,

Across the slowly widening gulf of years,
 Back to the pages of life's second turning,
 To bathe thy memory in forgetful tears.

When slumber folds me in its soft embraces,
 Then dreams—dear dreams will bring thee
 to my side,

All radiant with a thousand spirit graces,
 A fleshless spectre, yet in dreams, my bride.

—O. A. X., '94.

Locals.

Down the hill the Prof. is running,
 Coat-tails streaming out behind.
 In the door are Seniors waiting,
 On their faces smiles malign.

"One more minute," all expectant,
 But alas! the Prof. has come.
 Seats are taken in a twinkling,
 Greek yell silent, Seniors glum.

Shake!

We are at work once more.

Parker Hall is again becoming inhab-
 ited.

When are those rank-bills going to
 appear?

Miss Webber, ex-'94, was in town a
 few days during the vacation.

The new concrete floor in the zoolog-
 ical room is an excellent improvement.

The sanctum is to be provided with
 gas. Verily, this is an age of enlight-
 enment.

J. B. Coy, formerly of '92, has re-
 turned to college and resumed his
 course with '96.

Professor Hartshorn will continue his
 weekly lectures in Physics to the Junior
 class this term.

Professor Chase is quite seriously ill.
 For several days he has been unable to
 attend his classes.

Four of the STUDENT editors are de-
 veloping the minds of young America
 in the wilds of Maine.

Some one has had the meanness to
 suggest that we call the editorial sanc-
 tum the bomb- (bum) shell.

Are all of our singers out of town?
 A little music would be a pleasing addi-
 tion to the chapel exercises.

Pierce, '94, will lead the gymnasium
 work of the Juniors during the absence
 of French, the regular instructor.

Miss Roberts, formerly of '94, who
 has been absent the past year because
 of sickness, has resumed her work
 with '95.

We would advise the Faculty to keep
 an eye on the new managers of the

STUDENT. So much "cutting" is, to say the least, suspicious.

Professor Stanton, who has been confined to his house by a severe cold, is again able to attend his recitations.

Quite a number of alumni and alumnae were in town during the past vacation, to attend the annual meeting of the Maine State Pedagogical Society.

Thirty-six attended chapel the first morning, while many more, who had not as yet recovered from the dissipations of the holidays, dropped around during the day.

Is your sweetheart the man in the moon?
Then I hope you will marry him soon,
And he'll take you afar
In aerial car
With your soft, silly, sickening tune.

It would be a great favor to the Faculty if a few of those students who "have arrived" but "are not yet back," would make themselves manifest at recitation.

During the first four weeks of the term gymnasium work will not be compulsory. To those who wish, however, the gymnasium will be open from 2.30 to 3.30 every afternoon.

W——, '94, had an adventure with a burglar the other night. Since then he has been sleeping with a gun, two indian-clubs, and a pair of dumb-bells under his pillow.

It will be seen by our alumni personals that contestants for the College Club prize should hereafter send their stories to A. N. Peaslee, '90, at Pensacola, Fla., instead of Garden City, as previously.

The catalogue of the alumni, which will be published hereafter every five years, will be out about Commencement. It will contain a brief sketch of the life and work of each graduate since leaving college, together with his present location, business, etc.

It may be observed that the Locals are quite poetical (?) this month. Any efforts in this neglected line will be gladly welcomed by the sanctum, and all productions will be treated as leniently as possible. Now don't be bashful—write some verses.

We are glad to be informed by one of our Sophomore young ladies, who has undergone unscathed the allurements of a vacation in Boston, that her "name is just the same as it was last term." Such conservatism in this age of innovations is truly refreshing.

RECIPROCITY.

I gave her ices, candies, fruits,
Perfumes and flowers fair.
I gave her handkerchiefs and gloves,
Laces and knickknacks rare.

I gave her heart, and hand, and soul,
And she, the winsome kitten,
In giving not to be outdone,
Gave me in turn the mitten.

Several of the Juniors employed the spare hours of vacation in exploring the town. Their expeditions, under the leadership of Professor Stanton, to the Androscoggin Mill and to Gay-Woodman Company's shoe shop, were especially enjoyable and instructive. The only thing that marred the happiness of the too modest Juniors was the acute consciousness of being the object of an admiring stare.

Scene : Room in Parker Hall. Time : Close of last term. Two Freshmen busily packing ; one overhears the other muttering aloud, " I will have to do it ; it's no use ; she may refuse, but there's no help for it. It's got to be done." " Take my advice as a friend and don't." " Don't what?" (confusedly). " Why, don't propose, of course." " Oh, hang it all. What do you take me for? I was only going to ask the washerwoman to wait till next term for her pay." Curtain.

The joint committee of the Euro-sophian and Polymnian societies, to arrange for the observance of Washington's Birthday this year, consists of Pennell, '93, Chase, '93, Noone, '94, Marsh, '94, Miss Willard, '95, Miss Neal, '95, Thomas, '96, and Lord, '96. The following have been assigned parts : Miss Summerbell, '95, Miss Staples, '95, Miss Cummings, '94, Miss Pennell, '94, Swan, '93, Noone, '94, Brown, '95, and Cutts, '96. This observance has become a custom at Bates, and a very good one, too, we think. The programme this year will probably be fully up to those of the past.

The new physical laboratory is perhaps the pleasantest and most attractive class-room in Hathorn Hall. Most conspicuous among the improvements are several heavy ash tables, each provided with four Bunsen burners. A fine case of drawers for various storage purposes has been built in the alcove, and a door has been cut through to Professor Hartshorn's lecture-room. Much new apparatus has been procured, of which an Atwood's machine, a Swiss

goniometer, a standard barometer, a Swiss spherometer, several Wheatstone bridges, a Coulomb's torsion balance, and a D'Arsonval galvanometer are most noticeable. About four hundred dollars has been expended upon the room and its appliances the past vacation. It is the intention ultimately by extending the partition across the hall to unite the laboratory with the apparatus room.

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Rev. G. A. Downey, Bates, '85, of the Junior class, reports a pleasant vacation. For the past two months he has had charge of the church at North Danville, N. H. During his stay the repairs on the church were completed, the building was re-dedicated, and a new religious interest manifested.

The December number of the *Treasury Magazine* contains an article by Professor Rich, of the Old Testament Department, entitled " Exegesis of the Twenty-Third Psalm." Also a discussion of the word " Sheol," by Professor Rich, finds place in a recent volume entitled " Timely Topics," published by E. B. Treat, New York.

The work of the spring term began Tuesday morning, January 10th. At that time Professor Anthony, of the New Testament Department, delivered a public lecture in the chapel on " The Newly-Discovered Epistle of St. Peter." By request, Professor Anthony will repeat this lecture in Auburn, January 23d, at the meeting of the Pastor's Union.

G. H. Hamlen, Bates, '90, of the Senior class, spent part of the vaca-

tion with the East Dixfield church. In another part of the same town Mandeville Holman, of the Junior class, held a series of meetings. "Quite an extensive revival interest has been awakened and several have started in the Christian life," says the *Rumford Falls Times* in a pleasant notice of Mr. Holman's work.

F. B. Nelson, Bates, '90, of the Senior class, finished his work at West Gardiner, Me., January 8th. His two years' ministrations in the church there have been helpful to the town in many ways. Eleven additions to the church membership are evidence of his good work. Not less valuable is the desire to secure a college education which he has awakened in some of the young people.

By the courtesy of the Editors of the *STUDENT* the Divinity Department of Bates College is represented in these columns. This privilege is appreciated by the students and friends of the

Divinity School, and, undoubtedly, this appreciation will manifest itself in the appearance of new names on the subscription list of the *STUDENT*. In connection with this department will appear locals and personals of interest to the alumni and undergraduates, and occasionally an article on some special topic will be printed.

Recent improvements in the library are worthy of note. A new catalogue has been made and is now ready for use in the new librarian's desk. A record of books out is kept in such a way that one can see at a glance who has a certain book and how long he has had it. Three assistant librarians have been appointed, one for each class, to perfect the new arrangements and to keep the library in running order. The librarian desires the *STUDENT* to announce that any students of the college who may desire that privilege are welcome to the use of the library of the Divinity School.

Alumni Department.

BATES MEN IN BOSTON.

To the Editors of the Bates Student:

THE ninth annual meeting and dinner of the alumni of Boston and vicinity was the largest in the history of the Association. There were present forty-six alumni and President Cheney as invited guest. The largest number of alumni present at any previous meeting was thirty-two.

The following is a list of those present at the meeting on December 23,

1892: Class of '67, Arthur Given; Class of '68, Geo. C. Chase; Class of '69, W. H. Bolster; Class of '71, J. T. Abbott, C. H. Hersey; Class of '72, Geo. E. Gay, E. J. Goodwin, T. E. Wilder; Class of '73, Geo. E. Smith; Class of '75, L. M. Palmer, F. L. Washburn, H. S. Cowell, A. M. Spear, J. H. Hutchins; Class of '76, E. C. Adams, W. O. Collins, F. E. Emrich, N. Douglass; Class of '77, O. B. Clayson; Class of '78, C. E. Hussey, J. W.

Hutchins; Class of '79, A. E. Tuttle, W. E. Ranger; Class of '81, C. P. Sanborn; Class of '82, I. M. Norcross, C. H. Libbey, L. T. McKenney; Class of '83, F. E. Foss, H. H. Tucker, John L. Reade; Class of '85, C. A. Scott, D. C. Washburn, E. H. Brackett; Class of '86, L. H. Wentworth, F. H. Nickerson; Class of '88, C. C. Smith, H. W. Hopkins; Class of '90, W. F. Garcelon, A. N. Peaslee, Thomas Singer; Class of '91, W. B. Cutts, F. E. Emrich, Jr., Miles Greenwood; Class of '92, Scott Wilson, D. G. Donnocker, N. W. Howard, E. W. Emery.

The officers for the ensuing year and the speakers of the evening have already been chronicled in the December *STUDENT*, and a verbatim report of President Cheney's address was published in the *Boston Morning Journal* of Dec. 24th, so that little remains to be said. It was generally remarked among those present that the speakers of this meeting were especially entertaining. The gentleman whom the Republican Senators of Maine have recently nominated as President of the Senate, during the course of his speech, plead guilty to the crime of larceny of one straw hat, committed during his Freshman year.

The reminiscences of another alumnus, now representing the "striped breeches" of "Uncle Sam" in a South American Republic, became so incriminating to several alumni present that the pastor of one of the churches in Dorchester arose in great agitation, and besought the speaker not to look at him so fixedly while making such remarks. Even the venerable Presi-

dent so far forgot the college rules as to suggest that under certain favorable circumstances tar barrels might be burned on Mt. David with perfect propriety.

Altogether it was a most enthusiastic meeting, and it is hoped that at the next annual meeting there may be present not less than seventy-five.

CLARENCE C. SMITH, '88,
Secretary.

20 Pemberton Sq., Boston, Jan. 12, 1893.

BATES LUNCH CLUB.

THE members of the college club in and about Boston have instituted a "Bates Lunch," to be held every Saturday at one o'clock at the American House, on Hanover Street.

Alumni residing about Boston are invited to be present, and any Bates man who happens to be at the Hub on a Saturday will be welcomed. There will be no formality about the affairs. Lunch will be served on the European plan.

The first meeting will occur on Saturday, January 21st. Those attending this and subsequent lunches will meet in the reading-room of the hotel at a quarter before one o'clock.

THOUGHTS.

A NEW thought is the beginning of wisdom. Nothing is stable but the past: that must ever remain the same, and its experience is all that it is worth to us. We cannot dote upon the past and act in the present. No man is more than what he can do to-

day. If he was great yesterday he must maintain his ground by a new conquest, else the ghost of yesterday will mock him.

Every opportunity is a new, fresh gift, from the hand of God. He who best uses it is he whose thought is newest and best. If the sun shine brightly to-day it gives joy to him who is awake, but the slumberer will wake to-morrow and, finding the weather cloudy, will lie down to sleep again. If a man study only the thoughts of others he will be the waste-basket of his time, but if he consume their thoughts as oil is consumed to give a new light he will illuminate one more niche in the infinite gallery of mysteries.

All men love wisdom, but few understand in what it consists. How often has that man thought himself wise who is simply superior to his immediate environment. If men are accustomed to come to him he is presently the oracle by common consent, and this is so because his conceit is greater than theirs. But there is an oracle of oracles and there is wisdom above the sayings of wise men. If a measure is full it can hold no more, but it may be emptied and filled again, and it will hold as many grains of pure gold as of sand. And if a man is puffed up with knowledge that he regards as very precious, let him empty himself of it and be filled again. He will then know the difference between conceit and wisdom. The knowledge of the ancients is indeed worthy of consideration, but he who is not able to put it to a new use is sitting in the shadow of centuries. To think over only what has been

already thought is like winding a music box that it may play the same series of tunes again. Many men display only what they have learned from others, as a merchant fills his show windows with his wares, and, in like manner as the merchant, advertise to supply the wants of their fellow-men. This is unfortunate, and such men not only deceive themselves but stand in the way of others.

When the sky is clear at night the number of stars is greater than we can count, but through a clouded atmosphere a man of little skill can number them. Accustom the mind of a child to error and he will regard it as truth. This has been the stumbling-block of all generations, and the beginning of real wisdom has always been wrought out with great sacrifice. Men are accustomed to reverence whatever is old, and often prefer to sit down amid the ruins of what was once glorious to muse the hours away, rather than to pursue the new knowledge with which every new day is laden. Put a burden on the back of a camel and he will patiently carry it across a desert in safety, but the animal is not wiser when the journey is done than he was before, although the burden may have contained precious gems. So also men are constantly bearing about the burdens of life, ignorant of the blessings they contain.

What then is wisdom? It is the perception of the fitness of things. And in the fitness of things is the true philosophy of life. Men busy themselves with their material needs, their aspirations or ambitions, and such is the pres-

sure of these upon them that almost as if the soul had no higher interests they toil, and fret, and sacrifice, till little remains of them but a bundle of unsatisfied wants. Here and there a thoughtful mind sees the beauty of truth and reflects it in a measure to the masses. This is not a gloomy picture; it is a ray of hope. It is the effect of a new and purer thought; it is, indeed, the beginning of wisdom, but it is like a candle held by one man, by the light of which many may see how to toil.

To understand the fitness of things is the great task of humanity. It is a task to which body and mind may well be applied, but which soul alone can accomplish. Men have fought all sorts of battles with nature and with themselves, not altogether in vain, it could not be otherwise; but happily out of struggle it has been ordained that there shall come purer and higher things. The needs of the body must be supplied, but the mind and soul should not die that the body may live. Rightly understood mind and body are the tools of the soul, and only when this great fact is acknowledged and a life is shaped thereby is the highest attainment of true manhood realized.

There is a purpose behind every voluntary act. The origin of this purpose is in the soul. Mind and body are brought into requisition that each purpose may be carried into effect. There is perfect fitness in this, but above all it is necessary to understand the fitness of purposes. The carpenter may use the same set of tools whether he tears down a house or builds one. He will be wise or simple according as his pur-

pose is suited to the fitness of things, and his labor will be saved or lost according to the same principle. It is necessary that every purpose be judged before it is executed for the throne of heaven is above us, nor does its security rest upon the caprice of mortals. Divine wisdom was from the beginning nor can the purposes or deeds of men change in the least the order of the universe. Man is a product of the universe and not the universe of man. Let all purposes be judged with this in mind. The final test of the fitness of every purpose is whether or not it is in accord with the Divine purpose, and concerning this every man must be his own judge. There is absolutely no escape from this weighty responsibility, it is a matter wholly between the soul and God. In the light of such sublime truth what man can place conceit above wisdom, or be satisfied without a new thought?

F. L. PUGSLEY, '91.

Henniker, N. H., Jan. 13, 1893.

PERSONALS.

'71.—Hon. J. M. Libby, of Mechanic Falls, is again a member of the Maine Senate, and chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee.

'72.—Hon. A. M. Garcelon, M.D., of Lewiston, is a member of the Maine House of Representatives this winter.

'75.—Hon. A. M. Spear of Gardiner was unanimously elected President of the Maine Senate. He was a member of the lower branch of the Maine Legislature in 1883 and 1885, serving on the committees on Legal Affairs and Revis-

ion of the Statutes ; he was also a member of the last Senate, and has been mayor of Gardiner from 1879 to the present time.

'76.—Marion Douglass, Esq., of Duluth, Minn., has recently been in Maine on business. While here, he received notice that the decision of the Supreme Court in a case of great importance to his clients, involving directly or indirectly more than \$100,000, was in his favor.

'77.—Rev. J. A. Chase and wife, of Northboro, Mass., have a son (Maurice Lovejoy), born November 27, 1892. Mr. Chase is pastor of the Unitarian Church at Northboro.

'77.—In presenting the portrait of Henry W. Oakes, Esq., the newly elected County Attorney of Androscoggin County, the *Lewiston Journal* of January 3d, says: "County Attorney Oakes comes to the office with wide experience and the disposition to faithful work. Mr. Oakes is a fine student, a skillful attorney, and one of the most reliable, trusted, and respected men in Androscoggin County. He has held several important positions in business, social, and fraternal organizations ; has a wide circle of friends, is accounted one of the best informed attorneys, and will make an able and concientious county attorney."

'79.—A recent issue of the *Democratic Banner*, of Sonora, Cal., contains the following: "F. P. Otis has served as District Attorney four years. He made a good officer, ever watchful of the people's interests. During his term of office he carried through the courts, and to a successful termination, various cases of considerable impor-

tance to the county. He never shirked any duty. Clear-headed and fearless, he on more than one occasion had the nerve to refuse to throw the county into expensive suits on trumped-up causes. He is honest, intelligent, and a good lawyer, and retires from office respected by all."

'80.—Rev. J. H. Heald, pastor of Congregational church, Trinidad, Colorado, has accepted a call to Nogales, Arizona.

'80.—I. F. Frisbee, of Lewiston, has been admitted to the society of Sons of the American Revolution.

'80.—H. L. Merrill is having excellent success as principal of the Hutchinson High School in Hutchinson, Minn., and recently built a handsome residence in this western village.

'81.—Wm. T. Perkins has recently been elected Vice-President of the First National Bank of Bismarck, N. D.

'83.—Friends of O. L. Frisbee will be glad to learn of a marked improvement in his health within the past few weeks.

'84.—Sumner Hackett, Esq., has gone back to California on account of his health.

'86.—S. G. Bonney, M.D., has recovered his health, and has a very large practice in Denver, Colorado.

'86.—E. A. Merrill, Esq., junior member of the law firm of Randall & Merrill, of Minneapolis, Minn., came East on business during the holidays.

'87.—William C. Buck, of the National Medical College, Washington, D. C., has resigned his clerkship in the War Department, where he was receiving a salary of \$1,200 a year, to accept the position of Resident Student

in the Children's Hospital, Washington, D. C., a place secured by competitive examination.

'87.—Rev. Jesse Bailey, pastor of Emanuel Congregational Church, Watertown, N. Y., has been unable to preach for many weeks, and by a vote of the parish has been granted a vacation. At the last accounts, Mr. Bailey was gaining slowly.

'87.—The Misses Jordan, '87 and '90, are now studying at Berlin. They will probably sail for home in June.

'87.—H. E. Cushman is studying at Berlin.

'88.—E. E. Sawyer is principal of the High School in Pepperell, Mass.

'89.—G. H. Libby, Sub-master in the High School at Denver, Colorado, was married, December 30th, to Miss Harriet A., daughter of J. D. Pulsifer, Esq., of Auburn, by Rev. Mr. Hayden. They have started for the West.

'89.—E. L. Stevens, M.D., is House Surgeon at the state institution, seven miles from Providence, R. I.

'90.—A. N. Peaslee has resigned his position in the Cathedral School of St. Paul, Garden City, L. I., and will spend the winter in Pensacola, Fla. The competitors for the College Club prize will send their articles to him there instead of at Garden City.

'90.—F. L. Day will graduate from the Bellevue Hospital Medical College in March.

'91.—Miss M. E. Merrill, assistant in the Fort Fairfield High School, received from her scholars a valuable Christmas present in token of their appreciation of her excellent services.

'92.—H. E. Walter is pursuing the

study of Biology at Brown University. In connection with Mr. Tower (Brown, '92), he has a university extension class of Providence teachers in Anatomy on Saturdays. Professor Bumpus, who has charge of the Rhode Island Fauna exhibit for the Columbian Exposition, has intrusted the ornithological division to Mr. Walter.

'92.—We are pleased to learn that C. N. Blanchard has been granted an increase in salary as principal of the Dexter High School, for the remainder of the year.

'92.—Miss J. F. King is one of twenty-three young ladies that have availed themselves of the first opportunity offered to ladies at Yale University, for post-graduate instruction. Miss King is taking a course in Literature.

'92.—W. B. Skelton is President, and W. H. Putnam is one of the Vice-Presidents of the Young Men's Debating Club, of Lewiston.

THE MAINE PEDAGOGICAL SOCIETY.

At the annual meeting of the Maine Pedagogical Society, held in Lewiston, December 29th, 30th, and 31st, thirty of the Bates alumni were in attendance. G. B. Files, '69, read a paper, "Importance of Placing Good Books in the Hands of Pupils." J. R. Dunton, '87, discussed Grammar School work. At the last session, G. A. Stuart, '77, was chosen Vice-President of the Society, I. C. Phillips, '76, and W. L. Powers, '88, were made members of the Advisory Board; and E. P. Sampson, '73, G. B. Files, '69, and D. J. Callahan, '76, were elected members of the Council.

College Notes.

Cotangent, cosecant, cosine—
 All co's that can be said,
 Are not to be compared with thee,
 Thou best of co's—co-ed.

—*University Herald.*

Yale's foot-ball team cleared \$20,000 this fall.

Bowdoin students have adopted a college pin.

Dartmouth received a magnificent Christmas gift of \$200,000.

Harry Taylor will probably captain Cornell's base-ball team next season.

"I'm on to you," the Drop of Ink
 Unto the Blotter said:

"O dry up," quoth the Blotter, and
 The Paper Weight fell dead.

—*Ex.*

Columbia won in the championship chess tournament with Harvard, Yale, and Princeton.

Mr. Rockefeller has added another million to the endowment fund of Chicago University.

Several DePauw students were expelled recently for playing billiards. Too much "kissing," perhaps.

President Harrison is to deliver law lectures before the students of Leland Stanford University next year.

Connecticut has more college students in proportion to her population than any other State in the Union.

Paris University, the largest in the world, has 9,215 students; Vienna is second, having 6,220 students.—*Ex.*

The leading Southern colleges met at Richmond, Va., December 28th, to form an intercollegiate base-ball league.

"We've had a tiff," said Soph to Fresh,
 "And now she will not speak to me;
 What letter had I better write?"
 And Freshie answered, "Let her be!"

The Cornell and Columbia Glee and Banjo Clubs will give a joint concert in New York next month.

Yale and Princeton are to have a joint debate, March 15th. The place and subject are not yet settled.

The alumni of Wesleyan are agitating the idea of a reunion and banquet of alumni and students at Chicago during the fair.

E. B. Camp, the University of Pennsylvania's half-back, won the *Red and Blue* ball prize of a round trip ticket to the World's Fair.

The Johns Hopkins Base-Ball Association has already arranged games with Yale, the University of Virginia, and the University of South Carolina.

B. G. Waters has been elected captain of the 'varsity foot-ball team at Harvard for the season of 1893-4. There were three other candidates, Upton, Emmons, and Lake.

Leading Congregational clergymen have asked the faculty of Yale to take measures for the suppression of betting and other forms of gambling among the students.

According to Mr. Depew a college education increases a man's productive powers three hundred per cent. This is encouraging, certainly, especially for those who haven't much to begin with.

"The Captives," a play by Plautus, is soon to be presented by the Latin classes of Cornell.

Herbert Tufts Allen, the famous Harvard backstop in 1885 and 1886, died of peritonitis, December 22d, in New York City.

Harvard has the most valuable library in the United States. It has 388,000 bound volumes, and additions are being made at the rate of 15,000 a year.

Every American college that sends a certain number of students to the World's Fair will be furnished with headquarters for its representatives in a special building now being erected for the purpose.

An exchange puts it thusly: Freshman year—"Comedy of errors." Sophomore year—"Much ado about nothing." Junior year—"As you like it." Senior year—"All's well that ends well."

Thomas DeWitt Cuyler, Yale, '74, has offered three cups as prizes for inter-class contests in foot-ball, rowing, and track athletics at Yale College. The gift is in memory of Theodore DeWitt Cuyler, '82.

The new president of the State Agricultural College, Washington, was assaulted with rotten eggs at his first appearance on the campus. The boys were indignant at the removal of the former president.

Prof. Psychology—"What is love?" Chemical Student—"Love is a volatile precipitate, and marriage is a solvent in which it quickly dissolves." The above is a lye.—*Echo*.

The faculty of Boston University

have voted that editorial work on the college paper shall be considered as regular work in the course. The new editors of the STUDENT have already taken the greater part of the first three weeks of this term in anticipation of such an arrangement at Bates.

If the winner in the Yale-Harvard boat race next summer refuses to row Cornell, Cornell will claim the championship of America and endeavor to arrange an international match with the winner of the Oxford-Cambridge race.—*Cornell Daily Sun*.

NO USE,—THE DEUCE!

We stood beneath the mistletoe,
But I didn't even try
To kiss her ruby lips, e'en though
We stood beneath the mistletoe,
For I'm so deuced short, you know,
I couldn't reach so high.
We stood beneath the mistletoe,
But I didn't even try.

—*University Cynic*.

An important innovation has been inaugurated by the University of Pennsylvania Athletic Association. Hereafter, instead of electing managers for the various teams from the undergraduates, a salaried official will be selected as manager of all the teams with one or more assistants, as he may require.

It is stated that President Eliot, of Harvard, favors giving women an equal footing in Harvard courses, and that if the Annex will put up an endowment of a quarter of a million as a guarantee, that this may be brought about. Many of Harvard's prominent men think it is only a question of time when women will be allowed to take a Harvard degree.

College Exchanges.

"WHERE am I at?" Exchange editors will appreciate the aptitude of the above expression when they think of us for the first time endeavoring to perform the arduous duties imposed upon us. Confusion reigns supreme. We are surrounded, aye, almost buried, with periodicals representing the vast majority of our sister colleges, and from them we are to select a few which we, in our superior wisdom (?) think it fitting to favor with our condescending notice. Shades of departed critics! Which shall they be? We entertain suspicions of unfitness for the task. We are inclined to be humble, and would like to shake hands with all our new acquaintances and sit down for a friendly chat on topics of common interest. We feel, however, that we must submit to the inevitable, and trusting that our efforts will meet with forbearance, at least, on the part of our brother editors. We extend to you first of all a hearty greeting of fellowship and sympathy. Ours is a common work, and for the common good. Let us then labor together faithfully throughout the year striving to utter only helpful thoughts and receiving help from one another.

Many have come to us during the past month exulting in foot-ball victories recently won. To them we extend our hand for a congratulatory shake. Others are looking hopefully forward to laurels as yet deferred. With them we hope in sympathy. And,

likewise, in all our hopes and disappointments let us be bound together with bonds of sympathy and fraternal love.

The *Campus*, published at Rochester University, contains an editorial which is worthy to be framed and hung in the room of every student in the younger colleges of the land. Its subject is College Spirit, and it brands with contempt all those, both undergraduates and alumni who belittle their college and its associations to the outside world. We quote the closing paragraph:

We have a university here which, if it is not a Cornell or a Yale, stands at least the rival of any college in the country. It has its weak points of course, and what college has not? But its interest and prosperity should be dear to the heart of every man who enters its portals. Students and alumni, let us always be true to our *Alma Mater* in our hearts and in our words, and never by any means place a stumbling block in the way of her progress. *Unity plus loyalty plus activity to the nth power equal college spirit.*

The *Colby Echo* devotes much of its editorial column to the subject of college reform. It begins with a spirited attack upon those who misuse the reading-room, and ends with an arraignment of oil can thieves. We are suspicious that much of the bluntly spoken truth it contains would apply to other colleges as well. Let the good work go on.

The *Mail and Express* for December 31st, in speaking of the almost magical growth of the Chicago and Leland

Stanford Universities, says in regard to the smaller colleges :

The smaller institutions need not fear destruction. There is always and possibly a growing sentiment in favor of a small college, if its equipments and its teachers are of the best. Larger educational centers will naturally attract numbers, for, just as cities, they have a centripetal force.

But if the smaller colleges and universities are progressive they may be sure of plenty of students. If they are wideawake, they will send out the best men every time, simply because the teachers, never of the tutor grade, can give attention to the needs of each individual student.

Silver and Gold, published at the University of Colorado, comes to us bright and breezy, full of college news and spirit. It takes the place of the *Portfolio*.

Two new comers in the field of school journalism have been received. The *High School Echo*, published by the students of Rockland High School, and the *Messenger*, published at Westbrook Seminary. Both are creditable publications and we wish them all possible success.

Such magazines as the *Southern Collegian* and the *Naussa Lit.* are living witnesses of the fact that high literary excellence may be attained in a college periodical. Their contents are always enjoyable.

The holiday number of the *Academy Student*, St. Johnsbury, Vt., is especially excellent. It contains several stories of high merit.

Magazine Notices.

IT IS a rich and varied feast that this month's *Atlantic* presents to its readers. The first chapter of "Old Kaskaskia," by Mary Hartwell Catherwood, is an introduction to the quaint French and English people and customs of a western town in the beginning of the century. Sherman S. Rogers, in his article, "George William Curtis and Civil Service Reform," gives a comprehensive statement of the work done by Mr. Curtis to reform the civil service. The many glowing tributes to his zeal, patriotism, and integrity, will receive a hearty response from the many who survive to complete a work so well begun.

"The Feudal Chiefs of Acadia," by

Francis Parkman, is a historical sketch of the rough and rugged times of the settlement of Nova Scotia and the neighboring Maine coast. "A Heart Leaf from Stony Creek Bottom," by M. E. M. Davis, is one of those touching little stories that seems not like a story, but like an actual experience, so life-like has each character been drawn. "In a Wintry Wilderness," by Frank Bolles, is a sketch of an unfrequented spot in the White Mountain district. In this article the author fully sustains his reputation as a most minute observer of nature and natural phenomena. At his bidding, each mountain peak rises in its allotted place, the primeval forest spreads gnarled limbs and

mossy trunks over ragged rocks, and the songs of birds float over the tracks of bear and hedge-hog and are lost in the snowy solitude.

The *Century*, for January, contains the third chapter of "Sweet Bells out of Tune," Mrs. Burton Harrison's illustrated novel of New York society that has made such a hit. This is considered the greatest society story that has appeared for many years. Those who have not read the opening chapters should send to the publishers, 33 East 17th Street, New York, and receive them free. In her tribute to Whittier, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps has done well to find space for so many personal anecdotes and selections from his letters and writings. Indeed, it would be impossible for even this gifted author to pay a nobler tribute to his memory than that paid by the recital of his every-day life and works. "The £1,000 000 Bank-Note," by the inimitable author of "Innocents Abroad," is a story characteristic of the writer. It relates the experiences of a man who spent a month in London with a £1,000-000 bank-note, and no change, in his pocket. Among the other notable articles in this number should be mentioned "The Great Wall of China," by Romyn Hitchcock, and "A Winter Ride to the Great Wall of China," by N. B. Denys. Also "Crusty Cristopher" (John Wilson), by Henry A. Beers; "To Gipsyland," by Elizabeth Robins Pennell, "Personal Studies of Indian Life," by Alice C. Fletcher, and "Notable Women (II Dorothea Dix)," by Mary S. Robinson.

The *Cosmopolitan* has an instructive

article, "The Making of an Illustrated Magazine." The *Cosmopolitan* is used as an example, and the reader is shown the various steps from the founding of the magazine till it is ready for mailing. The obstacles and advantages peculiar to such a periodical are discussed, and the methods of securing suitable matter for publication. Lovers of the beautiful find much of interest in Gerald Campbell's "Four Famous Artists." "Japan Revisited," by Sir Edwin Arnold, is a most interesting description of the homes and domestic life of the Japanese. "The Confessions of an Autograph Hunter," by Charles Robinson, is an amusing account of the methods employed to secure a scrap of writing by distinguished persons. "The English Laureates," by R. H. Stoddard, is a timely article, containing the salient facts in regard to all those who are known to have filled this position. "Grant Under Fire," by the celebrated war-artist, Theodore R. Davis, contains several new anecdotes of the late General. "Co-operative Industry," by E. E. Hale, is an exhaustive discussion of one phase of the labor question. Mr. Hale explains past failures and points the way to future success. He rightly claims that a company of workmen, without a competent leader, cannot compete with the great corporations. "And it is the failure to recognize the force of this statement, which has practically brought the contempt of intelligent men of affairs, on this system of industrial coöperation, which, as I said, enlists so readily the admiration of theorists."

The leading article in the *Review of Reviews*, is upon "President Diaz, and the Mexico of To-day." Perhaps the most interesting article is "Vaccination against Cholera," by a young American lady who submitted to the experiment of being inoculated by the new method, at the Pasteur Institute for Asiatic Cholera. As it is almost certain that the battle against cholera must be fought over again next year, her experience is of special interest. A principal feature of the *Review* is the "Progress of the World," in which domestic and foreign topics of interest are discussed.

The *New England Magazine* contains an account of the childhood and early life of Amelia B. Edwards, by M. Betham-Edwards; also "The Home in the Tenement House," by Lucia True Ames, an enthusiastic discussion of the tenement-house question. We wish to call special attention to "At Whittier's Funeral," by Caroline H. Dall, as well worth reading. We can almost imagine ourselves present at the simple yet impressive Quaker ceremony. No brilliant orator pronounces a eulogy over the dead poet, but friend after friend testifies to the worth of him who wrote to benefit mankind.

We are glad to welcome the first number of *The New Education*, a monthly magazine, devoted to the interests of "the home, the kindergarten, and the school." It is to be edited

by W. N. and E. L. Hailman. Simpson & Co., 481 Broadway, New York, are the publishers.

A principal feature of *Lippincott's* for this month, is a complete illustrated novel, "A Pacific Encounter," by Mary E. Stickney. An illustrated article, "Foils and Fencing," by Eugene Van Schaick, continues the Athletic Series. This number also contains three semi-biographical sketches, and a chapter of reminiscences, "In War-Time," by Mrs. M. E. W. Sherwood. "A Dictionary Session at the Academy," is a humorous translation from the French, by H. F. Machuning. In "Men of the Day," we have descriptions of Emile Zola, Thomas A. Edison, and George Du Maurier. A short poem, "Bringing Home the Cows," by Charles G. D. Roberts, deserves special mention. There are also several other short poems.

The object to be aimed at in education is the development of the person to the mastery of himself and of his resources, and to the realization of the highest possibilities of his being.—*Samuel Harris*.

"Never to put my hand to anything on which I could throw my whole self, and never to affect depreciation of my work, I find, now, to have been my golden rules."—*Dickens*, in "*David Copperfield*."



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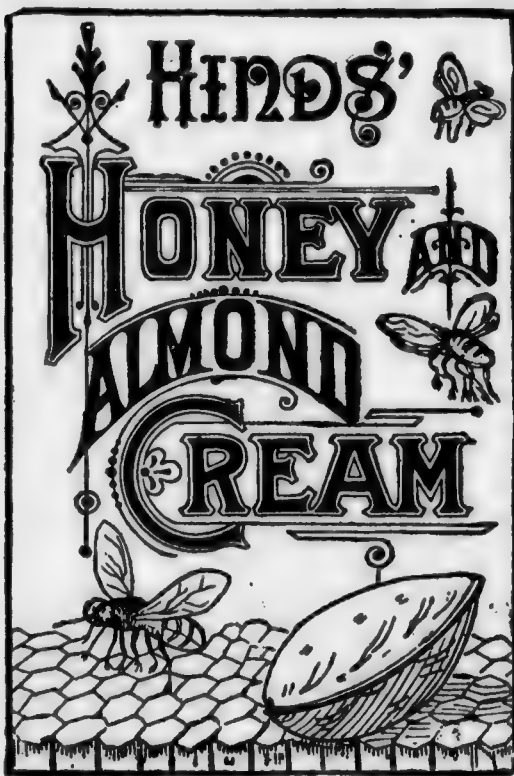
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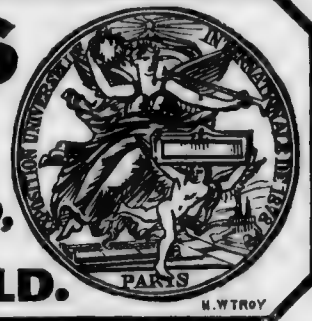
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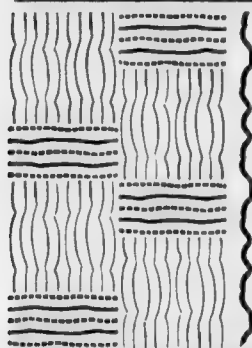
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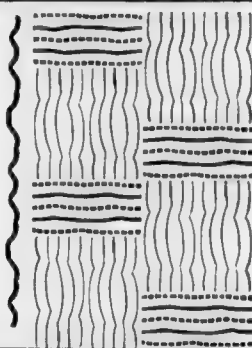
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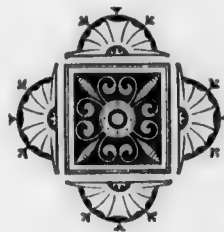
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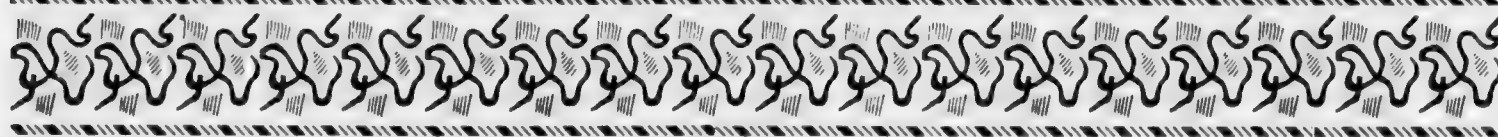
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Editorial.

BY THE courtesy of Professor J. R. Brackett, '75, of Boulder University, Colorado, the STUDENT is enabled to publish this month an appropriate sketch of the life of the late Dr. I. C. Dennett, '73, professor in the same university. Every student can profitably read it. His active and successful life should be an inspiration to the undergraduates of Professor Dennett's *Alma Mater*,

ONCE more the various classes are beginning to assume their normal proportions, and we are again fairly at work. The vacant places in the classroom for the past few weeks have been a constant reminder of the large number of students that Bates sends forth each year as instructors of rural New England. Bates takes a just pride in the number and success of her graduates who are engaged in ed-

educational work, but whether the devotion of any considerable part of one's college course to teaching has not its attendant evils may be questioned. It is true that the training and discipline acquired by teaching a term or two of school are very beneficial and could hardly be obtained in any other way, but the loss to the regular college work is of no small moment. The student who is absent from his class four or six or eight weeks of a term loses that which he can never recover. The work, indeed, may be made up, but this must be effected under extra pressure. The student must be content, moreover, with the results of his individual efforts, since the assistance of the class-room and of intercourse with other students is, in a large measure, necessarily denied. The result is a superficial knowledge of the various branches of study, a lagging interest and growing inclination toward careless investigation, which are alike hostile to all scholarly attainments. Nor does this habit of carelessness always end with graduation. Once formed it is likely to last through life.

Of course there are some who find it necessary to be absent a part of the college year; but there are others who have no such excuse. To us it seems that absence from the regular daily recitations, whether necessary or otherwise, is a great misfortune, and that even the advantages of teaching are but an ill compensation for such a loss.

THERE is much encouragement in the increased genuine activity of the alumni of Bates. The aid from this source is manifestly a growing

factor in the financial problem of the institution. Not satisfied with the highly commendable step taken last Commencement in connection with the department of Physics, the advantages of which our students are already actively enjoying, they at the same time appointed a committee, which is now in vigorous consultation as to a plan for lending systematic and permanent aid to the college. This committee will bring before the Association next June a plan somewhat similar to the one recently adopted by Yale, modified, of course, to meet particular needs. It is to the effect that "each alumnus shall be invited to give annually the interest, at five per cent., on as many hundreds of dollars as he may think fit." The committee urges that if four hundred of the alumni will pledge five dollars apiece, the college will receive \$2,000, or the interest, at five per cent., on \$40,000, which would be equivalent to adding that amount to the college endowment.

This, of itself, is a considerable item; and with large classes graduating each year it is evident that this amount would annually increase by a strong arithmetical progression. Of course the plan is yet provisional, awaiting acceptance by the association, but, as far as canvassed, the arrangement meets with hearty approbation, and, with such co-operation as is expected, the plan can but yield a handsome sum for the aid of Bates.

AS OF old, the true man is ever striving after the *summum bonum*, but few really understand its true nature. In our early history, life was

a continual struggle for material comforts, and this forced industry and frugality of our forefathers has been transmitted to their children as an insatiable desire for wealth and power.

During the past few months we have lost three great men, Whittier, Gould, and Blaine. Each had a world-wide reputation, each was truly great in his special line of thought and action, in a measure each may be said to have attained the *summum bonum*, as he understood it. Gould's one aim in life was to amass wealth. His efforts were most successful, and death found him the possessor of \$75,000,000. The matter printed concerning him at his death would fill a column ten miles long, and the only praise it contains is that he was kind to his family, and kept his word in business transactions.

Although Blaine did not attain to the presidency, that office could have yielded him no additional honor. He was undoubtedly the foremost American statesman of his time, but he has been identified with no great movement in such a manner as to command the veneration and love of posterity. He has been praised much and blamed much.

Whittier acquired neither great wealth nor political power. He expressed in simple language the thoughts of a kindly mind. His best energies were employed against slavery and for the benefit of humanity. At his death, only regrets were heard, and words of kindly praise. Probably not one of our twenty thousand periodicals expressed any other sentiments.

If it is true that love is more accept-

able than fear, and hate, and envy; that it is better to do good to others than to seek self-aggrandizement at others' expense, he who seeks the *summum bonum* may read a valuable lesson from the lives of these men.

IT IS to be doubted if most students get the advantage they could from the society debates. There cannot be much real advantage in listening to an argument of whose subject one has no previous knowledge. But there can be no better mental drill than to weigh in our own minds, one after the other, the arguments of a subject upon which we have already formed our own opinion. There is good to be derived from debates in several ways; the extemporaneous speaking, the quick mental action necessary to meet opposing argument; but more than this, the debates of our literary societies should be educators to instruct us upon the most important topics of the day. All should make it a point to inform themselves upon the question and form an opinion of it before they listen to the debate. They can then decide upon the comparative merits of the arguments produced, and only in that way can they really appreciate them.

If those who have not been accustomed to do this would practice it we would never hear them say again that the debates were dry, but they would soon consider them the most interesting part of the meetings, and they would at the same time derive great gain from the quickening of their mental perceptions.

WE BELIEVE it inconsistent with true college spirit to cry aloud in a deprecatory way concerning the weak points of the institution we have chosen for our *Alma Mater*. Such conduct deserves only scorn and contempt.

But where there exists a strong need which seems not to be fully realized by those in authority, and which we believe it not impossible to obviate, in some degree at least, then we are inclined to think that silence is no longer golden.

Therefore, looking only to the higher standing and usefulness of the college which has become so dear to us, we would respectfully call the attention of the Faculty, Trustees, and Alumni of Bates to the deficiency in our curriculum of those branches which relate to History and Political Science. We publish this month a letter from an alumnus emphasizing this need. If there is one thing which, more than any other, our country demands from the younger generation, it is a greater number of citizens who shall be fitted to act intelligently, both at the polls and in their daily influence, upon the political questions which affect us as a representative government.

Therefore, although by extensions and modifications of the course of study, which have occurred from time to time, we are now possessed of advantages that, in many departments, are equal, and in some, truly superior, to those offered by similar institutions throughout the land, yet a college which is yearly sending out young men and young women, well equipped

in those branches which are to form the foundation of future attainments in business, literature, or the professions, but destitute of those acquirements which are essential to practical citizenship, is surely not doing her whole duty. We are aware that we shall meet the objection that there is a lack of funds with which to overcome the difficulty, and we realize that this is true. Still we believe that by united effort *something* can be done, and the analogy of the past bears us out in this belief, for needs in other departments are being met from year to year. By "united effort" we mean the hearty co-operation of officers, alumni, and students in the general purpose. Let the Faculty and Trustees be willing to place this matter among the foremost of those objects which they are earnestly striving to attain for the welfare of Bates. We need buildings, to be sure, but buildings alone do not constitute a well-equipped institution of learning. Let the alumni, who have done so much to increase the facilities in other departments, be willing to give this matter speedy and earnest attention; and let the students be willing, yes, eager, to get along at first with the services of an instructor, secured at a small salary, to direct their studies in the department in question. That this need is strongly felt among the undergraduates we know by experience and observation. Let us then earnestly hope that this matter will not be deferred much longer. We do not ask for impossibilities. Only let this matter receive the share of attention it deserves.

Literary.

THE TRUE TEST OF ABILITY.

BY J. B. McFADDEN, '93.

"The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves, that we are underlings."

DEEPLY seated in the minds of many persons is the firm conviction that nothing can be accomplished by them beyond the result of merely their natural apparent ability. Always doubtful of their ability, they watch others advance to secure the coveted honors, and remaining in the background, bewail the fact that the star of fortune sheds all its light upon the advancing class and gives to the doubtful ones only feeble gleams of promise. If a person looks only casually at the lives of men it will appear as if this star of fortune lighted up in advance the path for him who succeeds, as the headlight shines out upon the track of the oncoming train; but for him who fails, its beams only illuminate past mistakes.

The success of great men has been obtained not by the partiality or favoritism of Dame Fortune, but by rectifying and then avoiding their own illuminated mistakes and those of others. There is no truer remark than that made by Cassius: "Man is at some time master of his fate. The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves, that we are underlings."

The old science of Astrology taught that man's life was foretold by the aspect of the heavens at the time of his birth. Yet even in the time of Cassius that teaching was doubted.

Would Cæsar have been more of a warrior had the red beams of Mars welcomed his natal day? Would Milton have been more of a poet had the brilliant disc of Venus glowed in the western sky upon the eve of his birth? No: Man's life is no more controlled by the circumstances of his birth than the tumultuous rolling ocean by the prattling of the child upon its pounded beach-lined shores. Man is the maker of himself; he is the master of his fate and the seed of his power and authority may be by himself blighted in the bud or with tender nourishment it may strike root, with careful training it may elevate its stem above the soil, and gradually strengthening and increasing, assume the structure and proportions of the giant oak, which can be shaken by no blast and which o'ertowers the common saplings of the forest as this Cæsar o'ertowered his underlings at Rome. The strength of man—his mental, moral strength—depends upon his own inner consciousness and determination.

Young men very often make the mistake of thinking they can do no more than their parents have done. Illustrious or obscure parents: that is immaterial. A man has mind, ambition, and will of his own. If his parents are obscure, through his own endeavors and successes will they become illustrious. If famous and wealthy, through his own weak efforts and debasements will they die unmourned and unremembered.

No person gains a lasting step on the rounds of the ladder of fortune except by worthy personal efforts. The aid of encouraging friends amounts to naught, unless accompanied by your own endeavor; for unless so accompanied, better by far had you remained in obscurity.

Let us compare two persons. One, born, as they say, "with a golden spoon in his mouth"; the other menaced by the so-called star of destiny. Fortune seems to favor the first. Misfortune always threatens the second. Set your goal high, Unlucky One. Set it as high as the most prosperous person in the land. Your stars seem not as bright as do his. His attainments *seem* to be reached under the guiding hand of some fostering deity. Let your ambition rise to heights that you can scarcely reach, then with one mighty leap, vault upon the pinnacle of your towering pride and ambition; collect the stars under which you were born; tear down the guiding lights of other men and hurl them all into the abyss of despair and malcontent. Are you now less able than they? Their guiding lights are gone together with your own unfortunate birth-mark. Depend now on your individual efforts. Convince yourself that there is nothing that cannot be accomplished through honest, persistent trial.

On the trapeze, the athlete must make his dangerous daring leaps with the utmost confidence. In life the living one must have as much self-confidence. But do not allow that self-confidence to turn to pride and self-esteem: self-

esteem, simply for the estimation of self to the degradation of others. Yet pride and self-esteem between one's self and the goal to be attained is not sin but virtue. In the presence of others cover your efforts with the ornamental garment of modesty. In solitude modesty can not exist.

In the solitude of your own soul be ruled by the highest self-confidence, and if necessary by conceit, in order to accomplish this one result,—that you set no limit to your ability. You can climb the ladder of fame as well as another. There is room at the top. Let not doubt obstruct your pathway.

Climbing upward, ever upward,
Never of the goal despair;
There are honors waiting for thee:
Honors rich beyond compare.

As the eagle, soaring Heavenward,
Rises to unmeasured height,
Thou canst rise with strong endeavor,
Pass all others in thy flight.

A CHARMING VACATION DAY.

BY BESSIE W. GERRISH, '94.

AMONG the pleasant recollections of the summer vacation of 1892 are the drives around home that were substituted for a long stay at the seashore. A more delightful way of passing a vacation can hardly be found, and only by some such means can one learn how many beautiful places there are near home.

While all these drives were highly enjoyable, one of them proved especially so. This was a trip to No-Name Pond, six miles from Lewiston.

As soon as one turns from Sabatis Street into the No-Name Pond road, he

begins to pass through woods which are almost unbroken for the rest of the way. Clearings are widely scattered. On both sides are forests so thick as to let in only occasional gleams of sunlight. The road is hilly, too; but that only adds variety. As soon as one hill is climbed there is another to be ascended.

Flowers of many names and hues border the highway. Most conspicuous among them is the wild orange-red lily. Never had I seen so many of the bright blossoms. Varying from palest shades to fiery red, they form a brilliant contrast to the dark foliage around them. Further on, the *pyrola* blooms. In the woods are found the delicate little beech-drops, some pure white, others tinted with pink.

Strolling among the trees, it seems as if some mighty Indian hunter must have been the last to tread here, so dense and still is the forest. But no, even into this wild and lonely place has civilization penetrated; for in the path before us lies a sardine-box!

We ride on. As we approach the top of a hill a school-house comes into view. Although Daniel Webster did not learn his A B C's within its walls, we hope that many great and good men have here laid the foundation for wide learning. The first dwelling-house we have seen for five miles is opposite the school building. We are here told that the best way to reach the pond is to follow one of the cross-roads half a mile back. Through some misunderstanding the wrong cross-road is taken; and at the foot of a steep hill we find ourselves in a farm-yard instead of on the

shore of the pond. This yard seems to be a repository for broken-down carts and wagons, and the front room of the house is, judging from appearances, the workshop where repairing is done. Out through an open window jumps a small dog barking furiously. Three or four cats collect from different parts of the premises. In the run-out flower-garden a lame crow caws in a half-hearted way as if life were a burden.

The pond is in sight, but is at some distance, and there is no road leading to it. We return to the main highway, try another cross-road, and finally come to No-Name Pond.

Whatever may be the reason that a more significant title was not given it, this is an attractive little sheet of water. Beyond are hills, while on the side by the road are fields and thickets. Over the narrow brook flowing into the pond is a small bridge beside which are willows. Meadow rue and the tall yellow lilies flourish near by, while on the surface of the pond float the snowy water-lilies. A small boat is out among the lilies. Over all the afternoon sun glorifies everything it rests upon, and the whole picture is one of rare beauty.

Leaving the pond we return through Sabatis. A short distance from the village, a cross-road through the woods looks inviting; and, following this, we experience a novel sensation, that of being lost. No familiar landmark is in sight. The road is rocky, hilly, and so little used that it seems likely to end any moment at some farm-house door.

It does not, however, but leads into another road. Taking this road we ride through broad farming lands, and finally reach the point from which we started.

This is the story of a most delightful

day. The few mishaps only served to heighten pleasure. Woods, hills, and water, birds and flowers, furnished royal entertainment and a day with them proved, as it nearly always does, profitable to body, mind, and soul.

Poets' Corner.

MY DREAM.

Last night I heard the sad winds wail,
Now high and loud, now low and long,
And thought of that old German tale
Of the Wild Huntsman and his throng.

But when I slept and ceased to hear
The weird storm-music, wild and shrill,
Then o'er me, like a shadow dark,
Came a strange dream that haunts me still.

Some dreams come lightly as the breeze
That round the brow of Summer plays;
Like echoes of forgotten songs
We used to hear in other days.

But this of mine, so strange and dark,
Like some fell demon seems to frown,
And hovers still before my mind
Like "Banquo's ghost" that will not down.

And can I ne'er forget that dream?
O, Time, whose hand destroyeth all,
Take from my memory these dark thoughts
That hang about me like a pall.

For dreams are what? O, ye who walk
In Wisdom's path, and hold the key
That opes the door where Science treads
In all his stately majesty,

Explain the hidden cause of dreams;
Tell whence they come and where they go:
Are they but shadows of our thoughts
That through our minds flit to and fro?

Or are they something more than this,
Presaging future, good or ill?
No answer comes—in dreamy realms
Our wise men wander blindly still.

Ah! friend, I've wearied you enough,
And now I'll tell my dream to you.
I only dreamed I was asleep,
And when I woke, I found it true.

—L. D. T., '96.

A MEMORY SONG.

I was sitting by the fire-place,
Where the ancient andirons stand,
And dreamily watching the cheerful flames
As they played o'er each glowing brand.

When, list! from out the burning wood
Came sounds of music sweet;
A strain so soft and beautiful
It seemed for fairies meet.

Was it, I thought, a memory song
Of its youth in some quiet dell,
Where the breeze sighed thro' the branches
And did many a secret tell?

Was it singing of mossy carpets,
With which the ground was clad?
Was it singing of moon-lit evenings,
Or of the sunshine glad?

Or was it a bit of a bird's song
Heard on some joyful day,
When all the woods seemed happy
With the coming of the May?

Whatever the song of the dying wood,
Sung in a minor key,
It was dreamy, and soft, and tender,
With a world of meaning for me.

—N. G. W., '95.

THE BROOK AND THE WIND.

Said the Brook to the Wind,
"Do you not envy me,
As I run to the ocean
So merry and free?
I'm as gay as the birds
That fly over my head;
The sky is my covering,
The earth is my bed.

"And people when passing
Will often draw near
To hear my sweet voice,
So ringing and clear;
And wish that they, too,
Were laughing and free;
Ho! loud, harsh-voiced Wind,
Do you not envy me?"

The Wind loudly whistled
And said, "My dear friend,
Why you I should envy
I don't comprehend.
You run to the ocean
Confined in a bowl;
But I have the whole world
Beneath my control.

"'Tis true that your voice
Is merry and clear,
But no one can hear you
Unless he draws near;
My breath moves the world,
I am free, I am wild;
Pray, why should I envy
You, Brook, simple child?"

There was silence a moment
As, over the world,
Queen Night her damp mantle
Of darkness unfurled.
The heavens were darkened,
The stars forth did peep;
Then, the Brook and the Wind
Sang each other to sleep.

—W. T., '96.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

Did you get a valentine?

Brown, '95, is engaged in teaching a private school at Litchfield.

Now is the time to present your bills.
We are fairly rolling in wealth.

We were glad to see H. H. Field,
ex-'94, at chapel the other morning.

We are informed that Perkins, '94, is
teaching the high school at Harmony.

HE'S SAD—TOO BAD.

A country school in Wayback town,
Taught by a Junior wise.
A maiden fair, with golden hair,
He thinks he's got a prize.

A country youth, full six feet tall,
And a pair of number eights.
The Junior wise now sadly sighs,
And curses loud the fates.

That other maid in college term
Once sought by Junior bold
Is now another fellow's girl,
And he's out in the cold.

The bird-hunters report the gros-
beaks unusually plentiful this winter.

In the absence of Bolster, the gym-
nasium work of the Sophmores is di-
rected by Hayes, '95.

If you wish to gain the eternal good
will of the managers, just address them
as the "entrepreneurs."

We were pleasantly reminded of our
editorial predecessors when we found
a hairpin in the sanctum the other day.

There is a vague rumor that certain
wayward youths nightly engage in
Terpsichorean revels in the gym.

L. W. Robbins, formerly of Bates,
'94, now of Colby '94, recently favored
us with a short visit. We wish it had
been longer.

Many of the students who were
away teaching during the first of the
term are now back, and have resumed
work with their respective classes.

Have you written your story yet in
competition for the college club twenty-

dollar prize? Remember the contest closes May 1, 1893. Several stories have been forwarded to Mr. Peaslee.

The sleighing carnival is close at hand. Now don't be afraid, boys. Bring forth your steeds and let the college be suitably represented.

What has become of the "Crust of Society?" That account of its festivities in a recent issue of the *Lewiston Journal* was quite dazzling, and we thought to see it enjoy a brilliant future.

IT BROKE HIS HEART.

He knew Greek and mathematics,
Logic, German, hydrostatics,
And a prodigy he was at all he tried.
So he thought to master dancing
With its mazes so entrancing;
But he flunked upon the waltz and then he died.

Professor (in German class)—"Will some one give me a smooth translation of '*frischem Schaum?*'" Junior (enthusiastically)—"New Cider!" And he touched a responsive chord in every bosom.

On January 30th, the tolling of the chapel bell paid its part in the general tribute to Maine's dead statesman. Mr. Blaine was a fellow of the college corporation, and was ever a firm friend of the institution.

A Sunday or two ago a deputation from the college Y. M. C. A. accepted an invitation to conduct the services in the rooms of the city association. We believe that more work of this kind would deepen the religious interest of the students and would be of great benefit to all concerned.

The Seniors are highly favored in the number of electives this term. One man, however, who has been grumbling for the last three years because the electives were so few, is now grumbling because he doesn't know which to select. Verily, some people are hard to please.

The regular gymnasium work has now begun. The following is the order of class announced: Seniors, 9 to 9.30; ball men, 9.30 to 11; Juniors, 1.30 to 2; Freshmen, 2 to 2.30; Latin School, 2.30 to 3; Sophomores, 3 to 3.30. After 4.30 the gym. will be occupied by the ladies.

The daily debates of the Juniors in the Political Economy class are full of life and vigor. In the heat of an argument one rash youth dared even to display a five-dollar bill. It is reported that when he returned to his normal state of mind he added an extra thousand to his life insurance policy.

And now it is the Sophie,
Whose oratory rare
Reminds himself of Webster,
As he howls and saws the air.

The bowling contests between the Juniors and Freshmen, which have been of weekly occurrence for some time past, have resulted in every instance in a victory for the latter. We feel ourselves compelled to say that such conduct on the part of the Freshmen is wholly uncalled for, and shows a decided lack of proper respect for the aged.

Some people can make themselves believe anything. A member of the

Philosophy class, by the theory of establishing the absolute zero of temperature, has proved to his own satisfaction that there is no moon. Such a man will bear watching. He will be trying to annihilate the earth before long.

A certain Freshman, who is rather fond of "tripping the light fantastic toe," went into a laundry the other day, and in a fit of mental aberration, passed the Celestial a ticket to a dance. "Me no havee here," said the knight of the flat-iron with a look of injured innocence, and even the cheek of our friend became suffused with a brilliant scarlet.

Returning pedagogues are ever bringing fresh accounts of life in the Maine wilderness. In the different localities, spelling-schools, church sociables, etc., have been quite the rage, and everywhere cold weather. One tender youth reared by the side of the steam-pipe reports both ears frozen recently while in bed. A second man was seriously annoyed during the frequent cold snaps by having his fire freeze and the stove crack. A patient observer of the thermometer announces 103° below zero in the shade as a record yet to be broken.

The following men have been selected as candidates for the base-ball team: Hoffman, Mildram, Pennell, Sims, Brackett, Field, Page, Campbell, Files, Hamilton, Pulsifer, Wakefield, Berryman, Cutts, Douglas, Gerrish, Hilton, McAllaster, Purinton, and Turner. Under the energetic direction of Captain Hoffman the work of train-

ing has vigorously begun, and all are cultivating the muscle for next summer's campaign. The men are receiving an hour and a half of hard work every day. In addition to the regular gymnasium practice, out-of-door running, hand-ball, sliding, and base-running are features of the daily exercise. Bates has always been noted for her vigor and enthusiasm in base-ball matters and the present season will be no exception to the general rule. We have an abundance of material; all that we now need is practice. Let the good work go on, and if Bates is beaten in the fight for the pennant next summer it will be from no lack of timely training on the part of the team.

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Readers of the STUDENT may be interested to know where the members of the last graduating class are located. In this column will be found a word concerning each of the six graduates of '92.

Rev. J. E. Whitmore is having success in his pastorate at the Corliss Street Church, Bath, Me. There is a noticeable increase in the congregation. A small debt has been paid and repairs on the church have recently been completed.

Rev. N. K. Simpson has settled in Chepachet, R. I. He is near the Rhode Island Free Baptist Association, and he feels the inspiration of the history and present work of the grand churches in his district. He is in a favored field for Christian service.

Rev. G. E. Kneeland has found a good field in which to exercise his gifts at Fort Fairfield and at Sprague's Mills, Me. A recent notice in the *Morning Star* shows that he has been well received by the people and is warmly seconded in his plans and purposes.

Professor Howe addressed the school, Friday, January 20th, at the hour appointed for the Rhetorical exercises. In an interesting and instructive way he sketched the history of the Free Baptists. Further lectures by Professor Howe, on allied topics, are awaited with interest by the students.

Rev. G. L. Lowell was elected pastor of the Free Baptist church in Amesbury, Mass., after his graduation, but, after a few months of too close application, he was obliged to resign his charge for the sake of his health. He is now in Somerville, Mass. He hopes soon to be strong enough to continue his chosen work.

Rev. E. W. Churchill is pastor of the churches at Oakland and at Fairfield, Me. Good work has been done during the past year, including additions to the membership of both churches and increase in the congregations. Mr. Churchill will continue his work in the same place the coming year.

Rev. J. E. Pierce, returned missionary from Turkey, delivered a lecture, Friday evening, February 10th, before the students of the Divinity School. His topic was "Constantinople and the Turks." Many facts of interest concerning this field of Christian work

were presented to an appreciative audience.

Rev. D. V. Gwilym, of Trinity Church, delivered the address at the Brooks memorial service, in the chapel, Monday, January 30th. His words were inspiring, and from the start he held the close attention of the students and their friends who had assembled to pay a tribute of love and respect to Phillips Brooks.

TO COMMEMORATE BLAINE.

THE following letter from one of the leading divines of New York City has been printed in the prominent dailies of the country during the present month. Whatever the direct outcome, the general effect of this thoughtful suggestion can but be beneficial, as it will surely bring this need—the great need—of the institution to the attention of many wealthy persons. Such an evidence of good-will is surely gratifying to those in immediate connection with the college. Our students can but immediately enroll the Rev. Dr. MacArthur among their genuine friends, and upon the success of such a plan, among their greatest benefactors. We hope that such an edifice may soon be assured as will be an honor to the dead and a godsend to the living. The letter as published in the State papers reads as follows:

The Rev. Dr. R. S. MacArthur, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church and a leading clergyman of this city, has written the following interesting letter to the *Tribune*, which will be published to-morrow:

It is quite certain that the patriotism of the American people will soon manifest itself in erecting fitting monuments to Mr. Blaine.

Pennsylvania, his native State, will doubtless honor itself by honoring him in this way. His many friends throughout the Union will wish to see a suitable monument in Washington also. During a generation he gave to the capital of the nation the additional luster of his own great name and of his brilliant service as Speaker, as Senator, and as Secretary. Maine, also, his adopted State, ought to possess a monument to him; for he with other noble men for a generation made her name the synonym of loyalty and capacity throughout the entire republic. In no way more fittingly could Mr. Blaine be honored in Maine than by permanently associating his name with an institution of practical and patriotic learning.

At Lewiston, Me., is located Bates College, a college of which Mr. Blaine was the senior trustee and in whose origin and work he felt a deep interest. This institution was chartered as a college in 1863, having been organized as a seminary in 1854. Mr. Blaine assisted in wording its charter, and all through these years was one of its appreciative supporters. On the 11th of October, 1882, he wrote the following letter to Dr. O. B. Cheney, then and still the President of the college:

AUGUSTA, ME., October 11, 1882.

The Rev. O. B. Cheney, D.D., is the President, as is he also the founder, of Bates College, located in Lewiston, Me. The institution is a highly useful one, filling a place in the educational system of Maine that was unfilled before Bates College was founded. Dr. Cheney has labored with disinterested benevolence, with great zeal and devotion, for more than a quarter of a century in the cause to which he had unselfishly devoted his life. To the wise and beneficent friends of education Bates College presents a field where donations, both great and small, will do much good and wherever they may be given will be faithfully and judiciously used.

(Signed)

JAMES G. BLAINE.

Among the trustees are such well-known men as ex-Governor Alonzo Garcelon, the Hon. Nelson Dingley, Jr., the Hon. Person C. Cheney, ex-United States Senator and ex-Governor of New Hampshire and now American minister to Switzerland, the Hon. Jonathan

L. H. Cobb, Lewis W. Anthony, and Thomas Martin.

The hope is that a noble library building may be erected on the college grounds in memory of Mr. Blaine. A beautiful site for such a building has been secured between the chapel and chemical laboratory, a space of 300 feet. It is hoped that a sufficient sum may be secured as an endowment, so that the shelves of the library may be furnished from year to year with books best suited to the needs of the student. While Bates College, like most of the other colleges of the land, is under the control of a religious denomination, it has men of many denominations on its board of trustees and in the chairs of its faculty, and all its classes are open to students irrespective of creed, color, or sex. The most enduring monument is a close connection with a permanent institution of learning. Oxford and Cambridge are more stable than even the British throne. The great colleges of our country will live while our government stands.

The building contemplated will cost \$150,000, and there ought to be an additional \$50,000 raised as an endowment. No subscription ought to be binding until the whole amount of \$200,000 is secured in reliable pledges. A. C. Cheney, President of the Garfield National Bank, Twenty-third Street and Sixth Avenue, New York City; George E. Smith, 23 Court Street, Boston, and chairman of the finance committee of the college; and Dr. O. B. Cheney, Lewiston, Me., have consented to receive and to acknowledge in the press in their respective cities—when no objection to publication is made by subscribers—all amounts pledged for this purpose.

It is certain that thousands all over the land will be glad to show in this way their love for Mr. Blaine and for wholesome learning. Who will be the first? The writer will be happy to take his place later with the smaller subscribers to this noble purpose.

R. S. MACARTHUR.

Calvary Study, New York, Feb. 4, 1893.

Alumni Department.

SPECIAL TO THE ALUMNI.

THE STUDENT wishes its alumni department to be less formal. It should be more social and more communicative. Only through these columns can you speak to the members of every class from '67 to '96; and at the same time to the faculty, trustees, and friends. You cannot have been long out of college before the strong and weak points of your training have impressed themselves upon your mind. You must have had ideas as to how and in what directions Bates's privileges may be extended. Give us the benefit of your experience and thought. Warn us of your mistakes, advise us of your successes, and counsel us in your new ideas. Pen us something on social, political, or educational subjects. The retrospective is sure to interest many of our readers.

Then write us often. Write all about yourself, your classmates, and your Bates neighbors. Write us your opinions on any and all subjects important to your *Alma Mater*. Point out her failings, always suggesting a remedy. Properly recognize her strong points.

Don't wait for us to write you. Postage is expensive.

BATES LUNCH.

THE following were present at a very pleasant lunch of the Bates Lunch Club, at the American House, Boston, Saturday, February 4th: C. E. Hussey, '78; C. P. Sanborn, '81; F. E. Foss, '83; D. C. Washburn, '85; F. J.

Daggett, '89; G. F. Garland, '90; W. F. Garcelon, '90; N. W. Howard, '92.

The other lunches were equally well attended, and we regret the lack of space to mention those in attendance.

BATES'S NEEDS—SCHOLARSHIP AND DISCIPLINE.

To the Editors of the Bates Student:

SOON after I left Bates an old friend, himself of middle age at that time, said to me: "It isn't what you know, Frank, but what you can do that the world cares for." Many times and painfully have I proved it. Each of us must prepare to fill a position, to do a particular portion of the world's work. Each must have the strength and skill which that position requires. It is the part of the college course to help us to that skill and strength. College is very properly looked upon as a part of the preparation for a particular occupation. Most young men take the college course that they may gain high positions and enjoy large incomes. Whether the present course at Bates is best fitted to serve this purpose I do not care to discuss here. It is at least gratifying to know that our students are doing quite as much to improve their opportunities as those of more favored institutions. But there is another, an unpractical, consideration. It is not all of life to live. It is not enough to hold high place, to receive large salary. The college man has more to do than that. He must think for the public, and with the same skill,

the same scientific accuracy which the physician, the lawyer, the artist uses. When I was in college I thought that the subjects which puzzled me were settled and clear to grown men, and that when I grew up, definiteness of knowledge and certainty of belief would come to me. Now, the farther I go the more I am overwhelmed with the insufficiency of our knowledge and the inadequacy of our faiths. The world is newer and stranger to-day than ever before. Greater problems are to be solved than Newton dreamed of; greater battles than Gettysburg are to be fought. Those rights which the Declaration of Independence called inalienable have not yet been attained.

Bates should train her young men to skill in judging the great issues of the day, in finding and in weighing evidence. There should be fearless seeking of the truth. False loyalty to a creed, to college class or college society, should give place to eagerness to know the truth and to act justly.

Let us have a Professorship of Political and Social Science, to help us to understand the world we live in and study scientifically the great problems which now divide the world. History, political economy, sociology, statute law, international law,—all belong to this department. It should be pre-eminently a study of *now*. The rubbish of history should be overhauled only so far as is necessary to an understanding of to-day. The purpose of such instruction should be not to send out free-traders or protectionists, any more than Free Baptists or Unitarians, but skillful, earnest, fearless seekers of the truth. I once heard Phillips

Brooks say that he doubted not that there would be a creed much better than his. Surely there must. There must be creeds truer than any that have yet been accepted. It cannot be that the elegant churches, the artistic music and Sunday clothes of our day are the final expression of Christianity, the best performance of His precepts who walked about Galilee having not where to lay His head. It cannot be that that justice which the Constitution promised has been finally established in the incongruous laws that confuse our statute-books, and the delay and uncertainty of the judicial procedure of to-day. Purer religion, more perfect equality before the law, must be thought out. College men must think them out.

But the study of political and social science is not enough. The masterpieces of literary art should be studied. The great poets and novelists are great preachers. They teach a higher morality, a purer Christianity than we hear from the pulpit. I would have no man receive a diploma from Bates who does not take with it the inspiring friendship of at least two or three great authors. While the study of the questions of the day, in the light of new theories and old developments, keeps the young man abreast of the times, the great stories force him to the conviction that, new as the world is, human nature is the same the world over—history through.

Unprejudiced scientific study of the great unsolved problems and communion with great thinkers must develop independence of judgment and self-respecting manhood. With independence of thought should go independ-

ence of conduct. I would have the least possible interference with the conduct of students outside of school-work. Have one rule: Every student shall be a gentleman. When his conduct and influence are inconsistent with this rule, send him away. If he violates the laws of the State, let the State deal with him—and deal with him as much more severely than with the ordinary culprit, as he is superior to the ordinary culprit in ability and purpose. It seems to me a very poor use of a professor to use him for a policeman. That class loyalty that attempts to protect law-breakers from the penalties of their offenses is cowardly tyranny.

Let us be proud of Bates for doing so much with means so limited. Let us hope that she may soon have a professor of Political and Social Science, who shall lead students to the information and the skill in judging which the problems of to-day demand. Let us hope that Bates graduates will carry away a stronger and stronger love for the best literature. Let us hope that the relations of professor and student will become more and more nearly the simple relations of teacher and learner, leaving police to policemen, leaving loyalty to conviction. W.

GRADUATE WORK AT HARVARD.

To the Editors of the Student:

IN THE short article for which you have asked it would be impossible to give a comprehensive idea of all the advantages offered in the professional and graduate schools of Harvard. Of the two thousand, nine hundred and

sixty-six students in all departments of the university, four hundred and twenty-two are graduates of other colleges. About three hundred and fifty of these are in the Law, Medical, and Graduate Schools. Of the Maine colleges, Bowdoin has twenty representatives, Bates six, and Colby five.

The high standing of the Medical and Law Schools is so well known that no account of them is necessary. The Medical School has taken the lead in lengthening the course to four years, and the system of instruction pursued at the Law School is fast coming into favor at other institutions. For teachers, or those who desire to become specialists in any branch of science, the Graduate School offers rare opportunities. The method of instruction aims to encourage individual investigation and research by the student under the guidance of the instructors, and he arrives at his conclusions as a result of his own observations.

All the students have access to the library of the Museum of Comparative Anatomy, which was gathered by Louis Agassiz and is the finest scientific library in the country. The University Museum is of great value to advanced students. The courses in Zoology are especially popular. The work in both Botany and Zoology consists largely of microscopic investigation.

The department of Histology has gained a wide reputation under Dr. Mark, who is a leading authority in that branch of science.

A knowledge of German is requisite, as a large number of the scientific works used are in that language.

The courses in Geology consist

mostly of field and laboratory work, with lectures by Professors Shaler and Whitney. Weekly excursions are made into the country round about Cambridge, and several expeditions are conducted each year to more distant sections of the United States.

The work in the other branches is of the highest order. There are two hundred and six graduates in this department. The total number of fellowships in the Graduate School is twenty-two, with an aggregate annual income of \$12,000; the total number of scholarships is forty-eight, with an aggregate income of \$10,900.

Harvard is every day refuting the charge that she is the rich man's college. The majority of her students are of moderate means, and there are more opportunities for aid than at any other university.

WM. F. GARCELON, '90.

Cambridge, Mass., February 13, 1893.

PERSONALS.

'67.—The fifth anniversary of the marriage of Dr. F. E. Sleeper and wife was celebrated on the evening of February 2d, at their home in Sabatis, by a numerous gathering of friends, at which the Doctor and his wife were the recipients of many beautiful and appropriate gifts.

'69.—Rev. William H. Bolster of the Harvard Church, Boston, is gaining a high reputation as a preacher and a pastor, and his church and congregation are rapidly growing.

'71.—Hon. John T. Abbott, Minister to the United States of Colombia, expects to make that country his resi-

dence for several years after the expiration of the time of his appointment.

'72.—Rev. F. W. Baldwin, D.D., pastor of Trinity Church, East Orange, N. J., expects that the beautiful brick church, now in process of erection by his parish, will be ready for occupancy early in May.

'72.—George E. Gay, principal of the high school, Malden, Mass., has been granted leave of absence for the remainder of the present school year, in order to take charge, at the World's Fair in Chicago, of matters connected with the educational exhibit of Massachusetts. Mr. Gay is the author of several popular text-books.

'73.—E. A. Smith, late of the *Lewiston Journal*, is on the editorial staff of *The Spokesman*, a Republican daily, published at Spokane, Wash. He has lately had quite an increase in his salary. Mr. Smith and his family are well and enjoying their western life very much.

'75.—J. H. Hutchins is principal of the high school, Glastonbury, Conn.

'75.—H. S. Cowell is principal of Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass. The beautiful buildings of the school, erected at a cost of \$90,000, were recently burned. The trustees will rebuild at once. Two hundred and twenty-five students attend the academy. The *Boston Journal* says: "The wonderful tact and energy of Principal Cowell in the great loss of the academy building is a marvel to all. Sessions of the school have been held daily since the fire."

'77.—We regret to learn of the death of Mrs. J. H. Randall, of Min-

neapolis, Minn. Mrs. Randall was the daughter of the late Hiram W. Briggs, and the wife of J. H. Randall, who belonged to the class of '77. Mr. Randall is a member of the law firm of Randall & Merrill.

'77.—F. F. Phillips has been elected one of the aldermen of Somerville, Mass.

'77.—Miss J. R. North is teaching in Somers, Conn.

'78.—J. W. Hutchins, assistant principal in the high school, Malden, Mass., has been elected principal for the year, taking that position during the absence of Mr. Gay, '72.

'79.—W. E. Ranger, principal of Lyndon Institute, Lyndonville, Vt., is to devote the remainder of the school year to the financial interests of that institution.

'80.—W. A. Hoyt, principal of the Cony High School, Augusta, and wife have a daughter, born January 27th.

'83.—H. H. Tucker is principal of the high school, Holbrook, Mass.

'84.—C. S. Flanders is teacher of Sciences at Dean Academy, Franklin, Mass.

'85.—E. H. Brackett is principal of the high school, Canton, Mass.

'85.—D. C. Washburn is in the decorative glass business. His store is on Portland Street, Boston.

'85.—Under date of November 21, 1892, Rev. E. B. Stiles sends to the *Morning Star* encouraging reports of the missionary work in Midnapore, India. Both Mr. and Mrs. Stiles (Miss Tucker) belonged to the class of '85.

'85.—The *Lewiston Journal* of Feb-

ruary 4th, under the heading of "Maine Men in Boston," publishes the portrait of Mr. Carl A. Scott, now sole proprietor of the Bridge Teachers' Agency, 110 Tremont Street. Mr. Scott has established an excellent reputation in this line of work. He has a pleasant home in Melrose Highlands.

'85.—A. F. Gilbert has resigned his position as principal of the grammar school at Malden, Mass.

'86.—Rev. F. W. Sandford has resigned a very successful pastorate at Great Falls, N. H., in order to engage in missionary work.

'86.—W. A. Morton, M.D., 324 Gold Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., has a son (Franklin Wheeler), who was born November 27th.

'87.—Rev. Israel Jordan, pastor of the Congregational church in Bethel, Me., was married, January 24th, to Miss Fanny Sands of Saco.

'87.—Rev. Jesse Bailey left South Britain, Conn., Feb. 2d for the South. He took the steamer from New York to Norfolk, thence by rail to Southern Pines, N. C. His physician advised a change of climate. He will not return to Watertown until warmer weather. Many are the prayers that are being offered for his return, if it is God's will. —*Emmanuel Congregational Church News*.

'88.—B. M. Avery is engaged in the life insurance business at 15 State Street, Boston, as is also Mr. Cross, of the same class.

'88.—W. S. Dunn has opened a private school in New York City.

'88.—B. W. Tinker is principal of the high school, Marlboro, Mass. He

has entered upon a graduate course of study in Syracuse University as a non-resident.

'88.—Rev. F. W. Oakes, pastor of the Congregational church at Leadville, Col., received eighteen into the church January 1st, the largest number ever received at one time in the history of the church.

'88.—Prof. W. F. Tibbetts, of Hillsdale College, was recently surprised by the receipt of a beautiful gold watch from the members of his classes.

'88.—The students in the Latin department called on Professor Tibbetts, Friday evening, February 3d, and presented him with a beautiful gold watch. The professor is deservedly popular with his classes, and is making his department strong and thorough.—*Hillsdale Correspondent of Morning Star*.

'89.—C. D. Blaisdell is pastor of the Methodist church, Leeds, Me.

'90.—Miss Jennie L. Pratt is assistant in the high school at Berlin Falls, N. H.

'92.—O. A. Tuttle, principal of high school, Hardwick, Mass., has conducted a lecture course, by means of which he has raised quite a large sum of money for physical and chemical apparatus for the school.

IN MEMORIAM.

ISAAC C. DENNETT, '73,

PROFESSOR OF LATIN, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO.

PROFESSOR DENNETT was born in Bowdoin, Maine, December 7, 1849. After graduation from Bates he taught two years at Castine and

one year at Yarmouth. In 1876 he came to Colorado and was elected Superintendent of Schools in Central City; later he held a like position at Pueblo. In 1879 he was appointed to a professorship in the University of Colorado; at first he taught both Latin and Greek, but soon the Latin department required all his attention. He died of typhoid fever, October 14, 1892.

While at Central City he married Miss Isabel F. Cate, whose acquaintance he had made at Castine. She was a lady of intellectual ability, and was of great assistance to Dr. Dennett in his literary work. Her fine taste and superior social qualities bestowed a rare charm upon their home life. She died three years before her husband. They leave one child, a fine lad of fourteen.

All who knew Dr. Dennett in his home life, found in it much to admire and to imitate. Within his home was the altar of his piety. There he sacrificed all personal ambition to the perfection of his duty as husband and father—and in that perfection lies the vindication of his manhood.

Dr. Dennett was baptized and admitted to the college church in Lewiston, Maine. A few weeks before his death we attended communion service together. He partook of the elements, receiving them from my hands. For several months it had been in his mind to call for a letter and identify himself more fully with the church in Boulder. Such outward things are of little moment to one who has ever looked into the man's soul. He was a man who ordered his daily life with a view to avoiding temptation. He was a man

that revealed to his friends secret thoughts that other men die concealing, in order that by their advice he might do right. He was a man who said that he could not live without a philosophy, and that the basis of that philosophy must be God. He was the truest man in friendship, true even to those who were unworthy of him.

I first knew Dr. Dennett twenty-one years ago. He was an officer of the college society with which I united. But what distinguished him more in my eyes than office or membership in a higher class was his ability as a speaker. In his Freshman year he had won a college prize for declamation; in his Sophomore year he had gained equal distinction in the champion debate; and when I was a Freshman he took the prize for oratory in the Junior class. His manner was rapid, fiery, his voice a bit tremulous with nervous energy; and at times there was a music in his utterance, a poetry in his expression, that still lend a charm to the memory of my college days. Dr. Dennett ever held my admiration as a fearless debater and talented orator. His last utterance at the university as a public speaker was at the inauguration of President Baker. In place of the rapid fire of his youth, he began his address with a sentence carefully constructed and fully freighted. Intrepidity was replaced by the dignity that comes from the wisdom of experience. He spoke with conscious power. A touch of the rhythm and poetry of youth was manifest in the earnestness of his expression. No college president ever had a truer welcome. Every word was the coined blood of the man.

In all the years of his public life, whether speaking before a college society or representing the university on one of his many tours through the State, whether delivering a carefully prepared speech before the alumni of Bates, of Michigan, or of Harvard, or giving an impromptu address in the chapel on the death of a student, Dr. Dennett never struck a low vein.

"Sownynge in moral vertu was his speche . . .
And ful of hy sentence."

Dr. Dennett was a man of marked individuality. He refused to be classed. Under more favorable circumstances his acuteness, originality, and marked selfhood would have made his renown as a scholar. Graduates of this university may forget three-quarters of the names on the Faculty-list, but not one will forget Dr. Dennett. We do not place a new Latin Grammar on his grave, but we can truly say that no man had higher ambition for scholarship in himself and in his pupils; no man struggled harder with adverse circumstances to build up a department. No man had loftier ideals.

. . . . "Tis not what man Does which exalts
him, but what man Would do."

Though Dr. Dennett was eminently successful as a teacher, yet his highest value lay in another direction. He was jealous for the success of his department, but he thought oftener of the university than of Latin. The last night of his life the words, "The State University," "The State University," were upon his lips again and again. No other brain has planned as much, no other hand has executed as much for the State University. There is hardly a good thing in its whole history

that does not owe its shaping to his thought, and not one evil thing that has escaped his rebuke. He loved to go to Ann Arbor and talk with Frieze and Angell, to Harvard and learn the plans of White and Eliot, to Yale and converse with Dwight and Porter. This university was planted in a wilderness devoid of college traditions and was long under the government of regents without college training. The high grade of this university, the spirit of true culture that pervades it, are largely due to the fact that a fearless man with lofty ideals has stood at the head of its faculty for thirteen years. The professors hold more honorable positions, of safer tenure, and have greater liberty and leisure in their de-

partments than would have been possible had not this brother struggled here. The lives of hundreds of young men and women will be sweeter and more useful because this man put himself into the foundation of this school. It is the life and burial of such men that makes hallowed ground. Culture, as well as liberty, is bought with blood. In the easy days that are to come some future professor may distinguish ablatives and datives with more nicety; but none will fight again the battles of *the first Professor of Latin*; none will equal his influence upon the destinies of Colorado.

J. RAYMOND BRACKETT, '75.

University of Colorado, February 10, 1893.

College Notes.

Quiet street;
Banana peel;
Fat man;
Virginia reel. —*Ex.*

A Japanese club has been formed at the University of Chicago.

The total number of instructors at Yale is 185.

Fifty-five new branches of the Y. M. C. A. were formed among the colleges in 1892.

A chair of journalism has been established in the women's department at Rutgers.

The "co-eds" of the University of Michigan have adopted the Jenness-Miller racing-day costume—shortskirts.

One-sixteenth of the 65,000 students in American colleges have the ministry in view.

There will be a convention of the classes of '93, from all American colleges, during the World's Fair at Chicago.

Princeton has scored 740 points and Pennsylvania 45, since the latter was admitted into the Intercollegiate League.

Dickinson has secured a building for hospital purposes, where cases of contagious diseases may be isolated from the dormitories.

The Wellesley Shakespeare Society proposes to build a club-house after

the model of the English bard's old home at Stratford-on-Avon.

The guides at the World's Fair, from twelve hundred to fifteen hundred in number, are to be college students.

The oldest college graduate in America is James Kitchens of Philadelphia, who was in the class of 1819 at the University of Pennsylvania.

Professor William Jewett Tucker, D.D., of Andover, has accepted the president's chair at Dartmouth.

Leland Stanford, Jr., University is to have a boat crew. A club has been organized with twenty-charter members.

The following soliloquy is from the *University Herald*:

IN THE MIDDLE OF AN ICY SIDE-WALK.

To start or not to start, that is the question.
Whether 'tis nobler here to stay and totter
And stick my heels into this friendly crevice,
Or to strike out across the glassy pavement,
Perchance to land in safety; to start, to land
All right side up; it is a consummation
Devoutly to be wished. To start, to slip,
To hurl some strange gymnastics thro' the air,
And then a sudden bump! Ay, there's the rub,
A rub with liniments and St. Jacob's Oil,—
Ah, no! I'll let the mortal coil alone,
And I will do no shuffling now at all,
But rather take a sitting posture and
Slide gently to the margin, if no snag
Shall give me pause.

Cornelius Vanderbilt is to build a new dormitory at Yale in memory of his son. It is to be the best building of its kind in the country.

Clarkson has been engaged to coach the pitchers of the Yale nine this spring. Keefe will be the Harvard coach.

The lamented James G. Blaine was a graduate of what is now known as

Washington and Jefferson College, Pennsylvania.

O'Connor, captain of the Dartmouth nine, and Stearns, of Amherst, have been offered positions on the Boston League team for the coming season.

Johns Hopkins, founder of the university that bears his name, entered Baltimore at nineteen with sixty-two cents in his pocket. He died worth seven millions.

OLD TACTICS.

Upon the measured foot-ball field
The rival teams contend;
From far above the passing geese
Their clangerous challenge send.
And while they never "buck the line,"
Nor need a referee,
Yet longer far than college men,
These birds have worked the V.
—*Brunonian*.

Alfred Whitehouse, a well-known trainer in both England and America, made the remark in a recent lecture that the prettiest sprinter he has ever seen is Henry C. Ides, '93, of Dartmouth.—*New York Tribune*.

MY RIVAL.

Lost is my heart, but vanished my hope,
For my rival has won. I lose;
And I am unable with him now to cope,
Whom, rather than me, she would choose.

I saw him with her this evening,—just now,
Looking into her love-lit eyes;
At her feet he was worshiping: I wonder how
I ever hoped I could win such a prize.

She raised him up with a tender embrace,—
What agony equal to this?
And clasping his hideous, grizzly face,
She gave that vile poodle a kiss!—*Cynic*.

A new weekly called the *American Arena* is soon to be started. It will be entirely devoted to college athletics. It is purposed to have news from all

the colleges, with cuts of the teams, notes on training, etc.

There is talk of erecting a new building at Harvard as a memorial to Phillips Brooks. It will be utilized, if built, for the religious work of the university.

HOLIDAY FETE.

Last Christmas a man of Gibraltar
Dined high on less than a quarter.

You see the poor sinner
Got up a swell "dinner,"

Composed of dried apples and water.

—*Brunonian.*

W. R. Castle, of the Hawaiian Commission, is a graduate of Harvard Law School, and Charles L. Carter, another member of the same commission, was graduated from the Law Department at Ann Arbor.

Said Adam to Eve, "My dear, will you view
With me the strange animals kept in our Zoo?"
Eve sobbingly answered, while combing her
hair,

"Alas! my dear Adam, I've nothing to wear."

—*Blue and White.*

The faculty of Yale have barred the

Freshmen from all Intercollegiate athletics for the coming season. The cause is the recent disturbances at New Haven.

Twenty-one married men are in attendance at the University of Wisconsin.

In accordance with the wish of the trustees, the faculty and undergraduates of the University of Chicago will wear the cap and gown on all public occasions.

The *Cosmopolitan* offers to pay the expenses of one thousand students at the various colleges and universities of this country and Europe, in return for work securing subscribers for that magazine.

The list of courses at the Cornell Summer School is to be greatly increased this year, and a large addition to the corps of professors is to be made. The Law School will also be opened for a summer course with instruction by the entire faculty.

College Exchanges.

IT IS interesting to note the diversity of opinions in the college world in regard to the recent action of the Intercollegiate Foot-Ball Association in debarring graduates and professional school men from the 'Varsity teams. Naturally these opinions are found chiefly in the publications of the colleges most interested, and what is more natural, perhaps, the opinions correspond precisely with the differing interests of these colleges as affected

by the action in question. We quote an editorial from the *University Courier* as representative of Pennsylvania's ideas on the subject:

The resolutions are unskillfully drawn, and they read a strong indictment of Yale and Princeton for a piece of the most contemptible hypocrisy that has disgraced the college world for years. The resolutions read so that Yale's great foot-ball feeder, the Sheffield Scientific School, is not barred. Such a thing does not display even decent pettifoggery.

Princeton is not touched by the resolutions—which is quite unnecessary to say; Yale's

only vulnerable point is carefully guarded. They have carefully calculated the chances, and it is Pennsylvania only that is to be the sufferer.

. . . . We could have forgiven Princeton, for she has a leaning that way—of boyish partisanship, but Yale, Yale, the immaculate!

Even her championship of the proposition will not make it any the cleaner, and she will find that this dirty business will leave a smudge upon her fair name long after Pennsylvania has won the championship and her wrongs are forgotten.

On the other hand the *Wesleyan Argus* rejoices as follows:

Help comes at last to those who patiently wait. To those of us who have been striving to find some escape from the defeat and discouragement of the past season, the recent action of the Intercollegiate Association is a timely and happy relief. The undergraduate movement in foot-ball gives the game at Wesleyan a new lease of life; it places our richer and less scrupulous rivals on a fair and honest basis with us.

It has long seemed to us a source of honest regret that college sports are not conducted more nearly on a basis of fairness. In the college world, if anywhere, rivals should be able to look beyond those arrangements of details which are for the advantage of one party or the other, and recognize as the true ideals manliness, honesty, and fair play. Which ever party is wrong in the present instance, the outcome of the negotiations for a compromise will be looked for with interest in the sporting world.

The *Orient* contains an editorial which favors the idea of Bowdoin's being represented in the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association. In the light of the past the closing words are not uninteresting:

We can see but one serious objection to joining this association; that is the difference in climate which permits the more Southern

members of the association to begin their out-of-door training several weeks ahead of us. But the more Northern colleges cannot be much better off than we in this particular. We suppose other arguments might be brought for and against the proposition. At any rate it will pay to consider if it would not be better for Bowdoin to seek admission into the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association *rather than to fool with the small local colleges another year.*

"Upon what meat does this our Cæsar feed, that he is grown so great?" Bowdoin's position would seem to be more consistent after she has won a few more championships over these *small local colleges*, and when her defeats upon Maine fields are more conspicuous for their absence, and less by their presence.

The *University Beacon*, Boston University, contains an interesting article on the "Value of Conceit in Success." The writer takes the ground that conceit is an important element of successful living, but not a good foundation upon which to build a strong character. The following cuttings are sufficient to set forth the leading ideas:

Conceit finds its first justification in the fact that a man will live somewhat consistently with his opinion of himself. Whatever he conceives to belong to the character that he has fitted to himself, he will assume with more or less success. . . . Conceit has a part in successful living, but not in successful life. The man that relies upon it flourishes mightily for a time, but he has planted the seeds of death and the harvest is inevitable.

A recent number of *Silver and Gold* contains a photograph of James H. Baker, President of Colorado University. President Baker is one of Bates's most respected and successful alumni, of whom she is justly proud.

The *Kenyon Collegian* in an editorial advocating the adoption of what is

commonly known as the "Amherst System" of government by a college senate, quotes the following potent statement of Professor Morse, of Denver University, where this system is successfully in vogue:

The influence of this system begins with the day of college life and increases to the end of the course. Its first aim is to develop in the student the capacity for wise self-direction; its second is to awaken in him an interest in the college and a sense of responsibility for its welfare. The system combats at the threshold the tendency once prevalent and still powerful, to put class feeling and college custom in the place of the judgment and conscience of the individual student. It tries to make him feel, with respect to the administration of college government, that he is not so much the subject of the faculty as their colleague.

The exchange editor of the *Niagara Index* makes haste to come down on his knees in an agonizing apology to our respected predecessor, as follows:

The *Bates Student* for January contains a cut of its staff that caused a pang of regret to rend our poor heart when we associated it with a "drive" which we made some time ago at its exchange editor. Had that cut appeared at the beginning of the editor's term our remarks would certainly have never been made. However, as we have endeavored to make an *amende honorable*, and as the fair editress has evidently satisfied her vindictiveness by excluding us from the exchange column, we trust both parties have squared and that the present incumbent of the exchange department will not cut us as strangers.

When the eye of the "present incumbent" first rested upon the above effusion, a ghastly smile flitted across

his usually passive countenance. If he, too, had been a fair co-ed. O ye gods! what an opportunity this would have been! We shudder to think what the effect might be upon our esteemed contemporary if this thing should continue and the photos of more of our fair maidens appear from time to time within our pages. We fear that instead of presenting its usual studied criticisms the *Index* "table" would blossom forth into a volume of effusive poetry, or be entirely filled with sentimental tributes of devotion. We feel it our duty, however, to dispel all illusions of a golden hue which may yet be lingering in our contemporary's mind. We make haste to inform him that we are a man, and, therefore, such effusions would be entirely lost if persisted in hereafter. Moreover, since our present board is composed entirely of the sterner sex, the *STUDENT* can no longer depend upon Cupid's darts to inflict avenging wounds, and in the future all grievances will be referred to the fighting editor. Adieu.

Our grand business is not to see what lies dimly in the distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.—*Carlyle*.

"With few exceptions those who determine to succeed do so! Why, then, it may be asked, are failures so numerous? Because so few determine."

Magazine Notices.

THOSE with a taste for literature will be specially interested in William Morton Payne's article, "Literary Chicago," in the February number of the *New England Magazine*. It gives a sketch of what has been accomplished in that city, with the portraits of many of its most noted literary characters. "A Biographical By-Path through Early New England History," by Charles M. Andrews, takes one of those sturdy early settlers, unknown to history, and follows him through a wandering and eventful life. Herbert M. Sylvester contributes part four of "Ye Romance of Casco Bay." The article is well illustrated and deals with the legends and history of Stogummor. "A Notch in a Principality," by Frank Bailey Millard, is a vivid description of the condition, socially, of a pioneer family in the far West. Arthur Lord gives the history of the old Pilgrim Church at Plymouth that was lately burned. This was the first church in the country, and the destruction of its place of worship has awakened great interest. Other articles of interest are "The Girls of Dangar," by Louise R. Baker; "Tacoma," by Hale M. Howard, and Whittier's "Countess," by O. M. A. L. The *New England Magazine* ranks among the first in the amount and real merit of the poetry presented.

Two articles in this month's *Education* should be of special interest to all students. "Experts in Education," by Larkin Dunton, and "A Plea for Accuracy in the Use of Words," by Dr.

George M. Steele. Mr. Dunton says: "One is reminded of the sarcastic advice to the Athenians, when short of horses, to vote their asses horses, which advice, if followed, would as soon make a horse of an ass as the votes of one's fellow-citizens would qualify him to act as a judge in educational matters of a purely professional nature."

The *Century* for February contains the fourth chapter of Mrs. Burton Harrison's popular novel, "Sweet Bells Out of Tune." Accompanying a portrait of the late Lord Tennyson is an article, "The Voice of Tennyson," by Dr. Henry Van Dyke, with a discussion of the aims and mission of this poet. After a careful study of his work, Mr. Van Dyke concludes that Tennyson teaches the duty of "Love—a pure and reverent love of manhood for womanhood, a sane and unselfish love of country, a sincere and practical love of humanity; love is the fulfilling of the law; love is God." Lovers of music will find something of interest in "Franz Liszt," by Saint Saëns. The paper is accompanied by two portraits of the great pianist. Poets receive their share of attention in Mr. Janvier's "An Embassy to Provence," which is to be continued with original illustrations. There are two papers of travel and adventure, "Stray Leaves from a Whaleman's Log," by James Temple Brown, and "Life in the Malay Peninsula," by John Fairlie. All will be interested in Clarence Clough Buel's vivid "Preliminary Glimpses of the

World's Fair." "A Voice for Russia," by the secretary of the Russian Legation at Washington, Pierre Batkine, is, perhaps, the first article ever published in this country by a Russian official in defense of the Siberian exile system and the treatment of the Jews in Russia. Americans will gladly read this defense of the policy of a country that was true to us in our time of need.

The *Atlantic* introduces its readers first to the continued novel, "Old Kaskaskia." We are now in the midst of the plot, and the interest may be expected to continue to the close. Travel is represented in "Penelope's English Experiences," by Mrs. Wiggin. Her sarcastic accounts of English customs are specially amusing. History is represented in Parkman's "Feudal Chiefs of Acadia," and biography in Dr. George E. Ellis's article on "Count Rumford." "Books and Reading in Iceland," by W. E. Mead, is worth a careful perusal. Some facts in regard to the copyright system, unknown to the average student, may be gleaned from "Shakespeare and Copyright," by Horace Davis. Julius H. Ward's paper, "White Mountain Forests in Peril," is an article that deserves more than passing notice. It points out the certain destruction of those forests unless active efforts are made in their behalf. Edith M. Thomas and Bliss Carman have each contributed a poem for this number.

The *Review of Reviews* is pre-eminently a magazine for men of life and action. Its one department, "Progress of the World," would keep a man fairly well informed. The lead-

ing article this month is the character sketch of Jay Gould, by W. T. Stead. This article contains a summary of those events in the life of the "Wizard of Wall Street" that seem most significant. Mr. Gould's character is discussed from the standpoint of Mr. Gould and not from that of his critics. In connection with this are two timely articles, "The Gould Millions and the Inheritance Tax," by Max West, and "American Millionaires and their Public Gifts." The idea is advanced that the millionaire could not have amassed his wealth were it not for the favorable conditions by which he was surrounded, therefore he owes to the community a fair recompense for its assistance. This recompense may be rendered in public benefactions of various kinds. Our American cities receive attention in an article by Prof. Edward W. Bemis, "Recent Results of Municipal Gas-Making." In connection with this is "Electric Street Lighting in American Cities," by Robert J. Finley.

Lippincott's for February contains a complete novel, "The First Flight," by Julien Gordon. It is a satire upon the aspirations of those who have amassed wealth, to be considered as occupying a social position they are incapable of filling. It deals very kindly with Miss Highty-Tighty's practical cousins, who instead of apeing the manners of others, seek to ennoble their position by a sensible use of their opportunities. Hon. John Russell Young continues the journalist series in an illustrated article, "Men Who Reigned; Bennett, Greeley, Raymond,

Prentice, and Forney." "Recollections of Seward and Lincoln," by James Matlack Scovil, is a very interesting and instructive article. The athletic series is continued by Prof. Herman F. Walff, who gives a description of the "holds" and modes of wrestling. Karl Blind, a political authority in the Old World, in "The Russian Approach to India," shows very plainly what Russia intends. "Josiah's Alarm," by Josiah Allen's Wife, is a short story that very humorously recounts Josiah's fears lest a small but very highly recommended furnace should produce a fatal amount of heat. This number contains other articles, besides several poems of merit.

Outing for February is one of our best illustrated magazines. Its leading story is "Which Miss Charteris?" by C. G. Rogers. "A Comedy of Counter-plots," by Edgar Fawcett, is an amusing account of the experiences of two young men who fell in love, each under the assumed name of the other. The articles and stories relating to the different kinds of sport are numerous,

and various in character. A very seasonable article is "Ice Yatching," by Col. C. Ledyard Norton. "Ski-Running," by W. S. Harwood, is a description of a sport that ought to become very popular in this country. Sportsmen will be much interested in "Roping Elk in the Rockies," by H. S. Blanchard, and "The Wild Hog of Louisiana," by George Reno. The following clipping will be of interest to Bates students: "P. J. Berlo, the wheelman of Boston, is credited with having built a machine which weighs a trifle over twelve pounds. This seems incredible, especially when we are told that the machine was ridden at racing speed over the road between Boston and Chestnut Hill reservoir and return, a distance of about ten miles, and did not start a spoke. Of course this wheel is not intended for road use, but even on the smoothest path it would seem too light to stand the strain. The maker, however, seems to think otherwise, and he will undoubtedly use it on the path next season."



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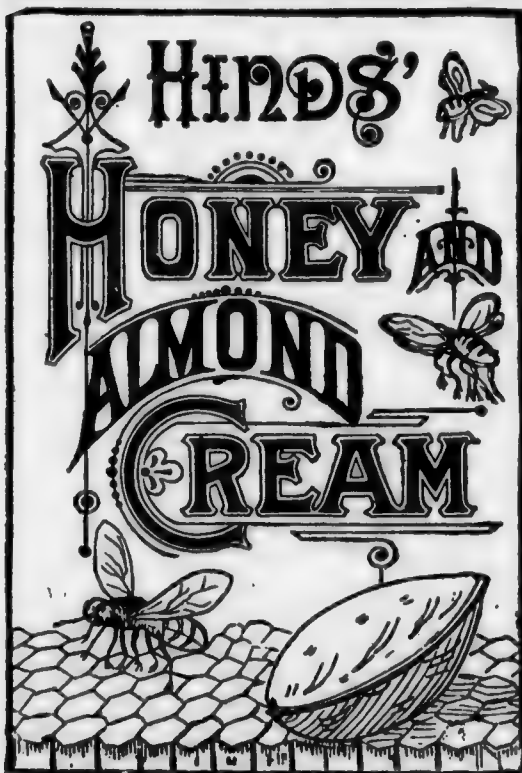


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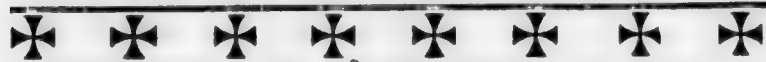
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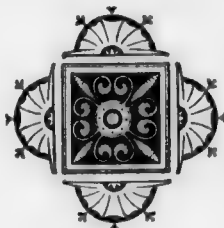
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Editorial.

WHY are we not more social at Bates? The one element most sadly lacking in our college, is the social element. Provisions for our mental and physical education have been duly afforded, but the opportunities for acquiring a better acquaintance with our fellow-students, and a deeper interest in their affairs, are strangely deficient. The writer has been at Bates

for over two years, yet there is quite a number in the institution to whom he has never spoken, and whose names he does not know. Nor is his an exceptional case. It is an example of a large part, perhaps a majority of the students. Now it seems to us that this lack of social intercourse is no small loss. The man who can understand his fellow-men, and who feels

an active sympathy in their affairs, is the man most likely to succeed. For it is natural that one should seek that individual who has common feelings with himself. But this knowledge of human nature can be acquired only by association with one's fellows, and in our own college, occasions for such association are exceedingly limited. It is true that we have the societies, but these are more for work than for ascertaining the agreeable qualities of our neighbors. Now if this want of the students were unavoidable, we should not have thought of referring to it, but it seems to us that it might easily be supplied. There can be no doubt that our social life is not what it should be. This feeling of reserve on the part of the students is anything but agreeable, and we firmly believe that it has a detrimental effect upon even the religious work of the college. We would respectfully call the attention of the Faculty to this long-felt need, feeling sure that any innovation in the social line would be hailed with joy by every student in the institution.

A LEGITIMATE growth of the same spirit which has made the two literary societies of Bates, so eminently creditable to the institution, manifests itself in the increased interest and enthusiasm in oratorical work of a more public character. No line of work develops so practically, or measures so accurately the intellectual ability of the student. The general awakening to its benefits is an encouraging feature of American college and university life. Appreciating the genuine, practical

value of the work, we hope for a further development of this department. But its satisfactory extension is threatened, we fear, by the existing system of awarding prizes.

This subject was touched upon in a recent issue of the *STUDENT*, and granting, for the present, the advisability of awarding prizes, we wish, in view of the coming Sophomore declamations, to expand slightly upon the views already expressed, and merely state our opinion in favor of an even more radical change. The previous writer very sensibly recommended that committee-men be chosen entirely outside of the college. This is the only fair way, considering that for years, when college men have served, it has been deemed necessary that each society be equally represented. The bare admission of this necessity is a most effectual refutation of the fairness and efficiency of the entire method. The second suggestion in regard to prohibiting debate and limiting the moments for decision, is most timely. In many places it is considered highly dishonorable to argue even in the slightest degree the merits of the different parts. It is only just to the contestants to presume the men whom they have chosen capable of forming their own opinions, and most assuredly a man's vote must be cast on his own choice rather than on the preference of his colleague; else where the advantage of three committee-men? It is an alleged provision for the wide differences of opinion, and pretends to assure the award to the one standing first in the minds of the greatest number. But does it not oftener avail to

give the prize to one who stands first in no one's opinion? Agreement is by no means certain, and compromise—sometimes by chance—often inevitable; compromise, frequently, upon the first choice of no man, but upon the second or third choice of three men. Would it not be better to have one man, and each time a man eminently fitted, and unanimously chosen? Then we would be assured of the first choice of at least one person.

To sum up, then: Let us have, without fail, a committee chosen wholly outside of the college; let us have a limit of time for decision, and *no debate*. Still better, let us have one man and thus each time a genuine first choice.

IT WAS suggested recently, by one formerly connected with the college, that a piano would prove a valuable addition to the chapel. We wish to emphasize that suggestion. The present organ is hardly what a visitor would expect to find in the chapel of a progressive college. Chapel exercises should be made as interesting as possible, and in no way can this be better accomplished than by furnishing good music.

Again, at the public meetings of the two societies, and very frequently at the debates and declamations and other public exercises of the college, it has been found better to hire a piano from the city than to move one from either of the society rooms. We need one at least twenty times a year, besides daily at prayers. As it is, we are put to considerable needless expense each

year. Let us have the piano and save this expense. We believe there will be no trouble if the students will interest themselves in the matter. Each society could afford to vote quite a sum, while students and faculty ought to unite in securing a musical instrument better adapted to the requirements of the college chapel than the organ now in use.

MUCH interest is just now being manifested in the new cabinet of President Cleveland. The politicians of his party seem to be at a loss how to explain the appointments. Possibly it had never occurred to them that the President might form a cabinet for actual work, and with an entire disregard to their dictates, or awarding party service. The general opinion is that he has, with his usual independence, selected men who most nearly coincide with his own ideas and will work together best to carry out his pet projects.

This is the first time Judge Gresham has pulled with the Democratic team, but he will nevertheless act as Secretary of State. Perhaps there will be no office for the next four years more important than Secretary of Treasury, and Carlisle is called Democratic authority on questions of currency and taxation. Bissell, Postmaster-General, and Lamont, Secretary of War, are not famous in politics but are tried personal friends of the President. The appointments of Morton for Secretary of Agriculture, and Herbert for Secretary of Treasury seems to meet with much approbation, both inside the party

and out of it, as these departments have been their especial study and pursuit for many years. Olney, of Boston, is Attorney-General. Smith, Secretary of the Interior, is called a typical representative of "the New South." Much apprehension is felt as to how he will regard the pension claims. On the whole, with men so ready to carry out Cleveland's opinions, and a majority in both branches of Congress, we may expect to soon test the wisdom of his political plans.

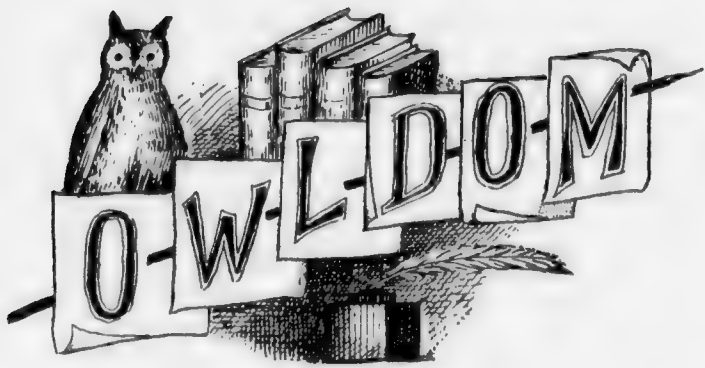
THE bill recently enacted by the Maine Legislature, abolishing the District System, will cause a decided innovation in many of the smaller towns. The result will be watched with interest by the friends of education. That the act will prove a specific for all the ills of the educational body, is, perhaps, too much to expect. We have a suspicion that the functionary, who will hereafter exist only in memory, the "district agent," is not responsible for all the evils of our common-school system, but that a large part may be attributed to imperfect supervision. Our observation has been that the school agent has, as a rule, discharged his duties judiciously, and has succeeded in employing as competent teachers as would be possible with the meager wages paid in the rural towns. That the school supervisor will give better supervision by thus adding another to his duties, is doubtful.

Nevertheless, we hail this change as a move in the right direction. It

shows that the tendency at present is towards centralization in the management of schools; that the various duties in connection with the common schools can best be exercised by one person, or set of persons, is correct in principle; but practice requires that such persons shall be competent. Not every citizen, however good his motives, is qualified to perform this delicate and responsible task. The present agitation points to the only way to an efficacious public school system, to a new profession in our State, that of school supervision in the smaller towns. The next step, logically, is to place the schools in charge of men specially trained for the duty. One man devoting his whole attention to the schools, could direct those of several towns, as it is done in some places in Massachusetts, and the expense would not be much more than at present.

It is doubtful whether the system recently made compulsory, proves entirely satisfactory. But we trust it will be remedied, when the time comes, by a step forward to professional supervision; and not by a step backward to the obsolete district system.

A new college has been founded in Houston, Texas. Mr. Rice, of New York, has endowed it with \$350,000 in cash, land, and securities. One of the most important departments will be a polytechnic school for men and women, in which special training in applied arts and mechanics will be given.



WE ARE very wise, therefore we consider it our special province to be cynical, and in the future when we discover anything in the little world about us which is not as it should be, we propose to call down the individual, or society of individuals, responsible for the faulty condition of affairs. These products of our cynical mind will be served up in spicy paragraphs, sandwiched here and there with more innocent morsels of sense and nonsense. It is not our object to be offensive, therefore we hope to offend no one, but shall endeavor to make of this department a mirror for the reflection of existing irregularities and inconsistencies. In short, the Owl, in his superior wisdom, will endeavor to realize, in some degree, to the readers of the *STUDENT* the wish expressed in the poet's words:

O wad some power the giftie gie us,
To see oursels as ithers see us.

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THIS is what the Owl saw and heard one night not long ago. It was midnight, and the light had just disappeared from a window in a lonely corner of one of the college buildings. Emboldened by the darkness the Owl sat upon the stone window-seat outside

and quietly surveyed the room. Signs of laborious "plugging" were plentiful. Lexicons, grammars, and textbooks of Greek and Latin were scattered promiscuously about the now darkened student's lamp on the table. The Owl glanced at the bed curious to see the occupant of the room, this Freshman ambitious for honors, whose light was so often burning in those hours when tired Nature calls for refreshing sleep. He was there tossing about in a restless slumber muttering aloud the thoughts which had followed him from his midnight vigils. The acute ear of the night-wanderer caught the following: "That Latin is translated anyhow, and I must get up early and get out the Greek. O dear! I wanted to go to that concert like everything, but I would have flunked, and that wouldn't do. I *had* to stay and get that Latin." The Owl flitted away in disgust. A few paltry pages of Latin mastered. A score in the morrow's recitation made certain, but the great Remenyi gone, perhaps forever. The mind, wearied from lack of sleep, had been goaded by superconscientiousness and an overstrained ambition, to labor over a petty Roman conquest or defeat, when the whole soul might have been uplifted and broadened under the influence of the musician. Pause, O youth, in your career and reflect upon your ways. "Seek earnestly the best gifts," is always a good text to live by, but be guided in your selection by a broad common sense, and avoid that narrowness of purpose which has sadly limited the capacity of so many able minds.

MEN'S aims vary as their natures. Men's successes vary as their talents. A practical rather than an ethical proposition, you may say; but to the Owl it is an explanation of the wide divergence of tendency and influence among men accounted equally successful in the eye of the world. One man lives and looks only for the profit of things. Another lives and looks only for the pleasure of things. A third lives and looks for both—pleasure and profit. The first becomes learned and dyspeptic, or rich and despotic. The second finds gratification and happiness, or disappointment and wretchedness. The third has sought profit and pleasure—pleasurable profit and profitable pleasure. His has been no sensational life. He has neither been applauded for talents, which have safely guided the Ship of State, nor yet for philanthropy, which has relieved the world's unfortunate. He has not been the awe of young financiers, nor yet has he excited the jealousy of the reckless pleasure seeker. His has been an even, a profitable, a pleasurable life. He is of the great middle class, neither too trifling to seek that which will be of profit to mind and body, nor yet too bigoted to enjoy the innocent pleasures of this transient life. Which has been successful? The Owl pauses.

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BUT let us specialize. Let us confine our investigation to the narrow walks of college life. Behold the three classes. Are not the lines strictly drawn? Here is the dig, the plugger, whose *summum bonum* is the *summum*

rankum. And here is the shiftless pleasure seeker, the inveterate loafer, the life-long good-for-nothing, whose paradise is the theatre and whose appetite is ease. And here again is the great middle circle, the squadron of common sense, whose motto is manly development, and whose lives are the embodiment of a full manhood. No member of this class has contracted his lungs with over-study, or developed indigestion in the student's chair, or ruined his eyes and broken his constitution in the defiled gas of the midnight oil. Neither has he weakened his manhood at the trivial play, or loosened his energy in excessive idleness and pleasure seeking. He has given an ample period to his Greek, the tennis court or gymnasium has quickened the circulation of his blood and promoted the expansion of his lungs, the latest fine spectacular has entertained his eye, while the musical heroes of the age have charmed his ear. He has given time to those extensions of college life, whether literary or recreative, which so enhance his talents, please his senses, and ennoble his life. As a professional dyspeptic he will not curse the hours of pent-up nature, nor on the consumptive's bed will he bemoan misguided exertion and a neglected physique. Nor, on the other hand, will he in the later days of depression and age repent a lethargy of mind with resultant physical incapacity, mental littleness, or moral inrectitude. Master the text-book, but do not "forever chew dead thoughts." Be a man of life, action, enthusiasm, and honor.

ONE of the beautiful consistencies of Uncle Sam's Postal Service came to the attention of the Owl this week. Just think of it. The cost of delivering our magazine in Lewiston exceeds by several times the expense of sending the same to San Francisco and delivering. Whether they have introduced a Chinese mail carrier system in the West, or whether there is some Jim Fiske-Vanderbilt competition for the trans-continental luggage of our periodical, the Owl is uninformed. But this is a fact, conforming to the privileges of our second-rate mail matter service it costs two cents to send a single STUDENT to a Lewiston subscriber, and only one cent to send half a dozen to San Francisco.

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THE Owl recently received his term bill for the present session. He was deeply impressed by its outlines. He always is. But, speaking about tuition and term bills, isn't it about time that the old custom still in use in many institutions, but none the less objectionable, of advertising the tuition at a rate exclusive of library, gymnasium, catalogues, wear on floor boards, chairs, etc., be amended. It seems extremely prejudicial to a correct appreciation of college expenses. A sufficiently close study of the catalogue and a little guessing ought to give a correct result; yet the modern method of including in the tuition charges for all necessary privileges seems highly preferable. It is heart-rending to the bankrupt to have a \$12 bill foot up \$17.50 or \$18.50. It is like taking a

boarder at \$3.00 a week and then charging extra for the use of knives, forks, and plates. Manifestly the present charges are as low as possible, but why not advertise the tuition as \$18 a term, or \$54 a year, and invite no misunderstanding. That would be correct.

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SHADES of departed Anna! The Owl actually saw a respected member of the Faculty walking down College Street the other day holding up one end of a box which, report says, contained a human skeleton. It is to be hoped that the man on the other end was as innocent as he appeared. The Owl thinks he was, but would advise that all packages of a similar nature be in the future properly labeled in order to prevent any misconception of their contents. It isn't every man who likes to take part in a funeral procession without previous notice.

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THE Owl understands that the Senior class will accept the hint given by Professor Stanton and have their graduating gowns white.

The establishment of a University Settlement in one of the "slum" districts of Philadelphia is a novel movement of the University of Pennsylvania. The object is to furnish students with better opportunities for making a sociological study of the lower classes of society. Bates boys can hereafter visit Lincoln Street without fear of adverse comment.

Literary.

A SKETCH OF HOME SCENERY.

By LOTTA E. NEAL, '95.

IT HAS been truly said that distance lends enchantment to the view, and especially is this true concerning scenery.

While people from all over the country come yearly to Maine to admire her rugged hills and picturesque coast, one who has never resided elsewhere regards these as commonplace, and, while ignoring the beauties at home, will enthusiastically praise those of some remote country.

To illustrate. Do we fully appreciate the falls of the Androscoggin, which, although not approaching many others in volume of water or height of fall, still afford a pleasing picture of natural scenery? The jagged rocks that impede the flow of the water, although worn and wasted by its action for countless ages, still bid fair to stand as sentinels in the ages yet to come. Could we but read the inscriptions that time and the waves have wrought out of the once solid rock, what stories might be unfolded.

In the summer time, when the drought has wasted away the tributaries of the river, the rocks stand bare and bleak; no wit is well worth while to examine the mighty work of the waters, and to see how, through the solid rock, they have gradually worn their way.

Centuries ago a pebble lodged in a crevice, the waters whirled it round and round, other pebbles joined it and

by their continual motion a large cavern has been worn, concerning which many curious legends have been told.

But the falls present their grandest picture in the spring, when the sun has melted the snow on the hill-sides, and the rains have swollen the rivulets and brooks which pay tribute to the Androscoggin, then the waters, unrestrained, whirling against the rocks, are dashed into foam in their mad rush toward the sea.

Let us stand for a moment beneath the pines of West Pitch, for there the falls are seen at their best. The rocks are now entirely covered with a rushing, seething torrent, the spray foams up high and sparkling in the sunshine, and look, over our heads a perpetual rainbow is revealed.

Who can gaze upon the mad waters before him without a thrilling sense of the grandeur and awful sublimity of the scene?

As the waters rush wildly over the rocks and become clouds of foam, a sense of His omnipotence who saith unto the waves of Galilee, "Peace be still," touches the deepest chords of our nature, and awakens almost painful emotions within us.

Much more could be written of Nature's works in our near vicinity, for she reveals her artistic hand in the calm scenery of our fields and woods; so, with the poet we may all be able to "Find tongues in trees, books in running brooks, sermons in stones, and good in everything."

HUGO'S "TOILERS OF THE SEA."

BY C. C. BRACKETT, '94.

CONCERNING all great writers of poetry or of prose, speculation is rife usually before, as well as after, death. Probably few have received more attention as regards their writings or public life than has the author of the work which I purpose to notice.

If an examination is made of the life and works of Victor Hugo, one cannot fail to see that his representation does not always agree with the facts. Especially is this the case when he writes of himself, for great as he was, he wished to appear greater. Yet it must be remembered that all this misrepresentation was on the surface; in private life he was simple, kind, benevolent, and to those who censure his public actions, we can say that he was governed by deep convictions, which he forwarded at any cost through a firm belief in their beneficial results.

Although a great poet, it is in fiction that our author excels, and here he ranks with the highest. "Les Misérables" and "Notre Dame de Paris" are his two greatest novels, and these are as fresh to-day as they were on their first appearance. "The Toilers of the Sea," which I wish to consider, is indeed a lesser light compared with the two already mentioned; but there are scenes and characters in it which could ill be spared from the world of fiction. This work was written during Victor Hugo's long exile from France, at Guernsey, where part of the scene of the story is laid; the rest of the scene is at a reef called the Douvres, five leagues from Guernsey. Gilliatt

and Déruchette are the hero and heroine; Clubin is the villain; Mess Lethierry and Ebenezer Caudray rank next in importance; while the whole story depends on the fate of Durande, the steamboat.

Gilliatt is a noble fellow, having almost superhuman strength and will. Déruchette, with whom he falls in love, has little to recommend her except a pretty face. Clubin, who has concealed for many years his evil nature, wrecks the Durande upon the Douvres during a storm, and, while attempting to escape with a large sum of money belonging to Mess Lethierry, the owner of the Durande, is drowned.

Déruchette offers to marry the man who shall rescue her uncle's vessel. Gilliatt, after terrible struggles with tempests and waves, succeeds in saving the machinery of the Durande, and also discovers the skeleton of Clubin with the money which he had stolen still fastened about his waist. When Gilliatt returns to Guernsey he discovers that Déruchette has fallen in love with Caudray, a young clergyman. Magnanimously, Gilliatt helps his rival to a hasty marriage, and, on the very spot from which he formerly rescued his rival, the sea swallows him up as the vessel containing Caudray and Déruchette disappears in the distance.

Victor Hugo's purpose, as stated in the preface of this work, is to indicate nature, and well has he accomplished his object. He gives to the sea, the winds, and the rocks, life, and while these are not so intelligent as they might be, yet at times they seem to have all the cunning and ingenuity of

evil spirits. Among his men and women the author seems to have brought nearly all the types from the noblest to the vilest.

In the first chapter is seen how the writing of his name in the snow by a young girl changed Gilliatt's whole life. Gilliatt the lover, and Gilliatt the rescuer of the engine of the *Durande* are widely different; the former is so timid and fearful that for four long years he does not dare to speak to *Déruchette*, the latter is a Titan, fearing nothing, defying hunger, cold, the winds, and the sea.

Yet it must be admitted that if his suit had prospered, possibly when the time came to leave all and work on that lonely wreck for weeks, he would not have gone so readily. In reading the account of the salvage, no one thing that Gilliatt does seems impossible, the author takes us on step by step, until at last he has accomplished a seeming impossibility. The moral is evident, yet, as we shall see, Gilliatt did not follow it to the end. Induced by love, for over two months he works alone on the wreck of the *Durande*, and finally brings the machinery back to Saint Sampson in safety.

After a deed like this are we surprised when he gives assistance to his rival? I think not, but what a pity that such wonderful power, both of body and mind, should become lost to the world through the half-unconscious influence of such a feather-brained girl as *Déruchette*. It cannot be said that *Déruchette* was wholly to blame for all the pain she caused Gilliatt. Brought up as she was by her uncle it

is natural that she should be rather careless of consequences, yet the fine irony of Gilliatt at her departure with her husband must have taught her a lesson not soon to be forgotten.

In Clubin we see a man who is as steadfast in his way, although under the cloak of respectability he hides his real character for years. His mistake in regard to the situation of the *Durande* at the time of the wreck makes the salvage of the engine possible, and the devil fish, which compares favorably with Clubin, prepares the way for the return of the stolen money. Mess Lethierry is a wholesome, good-natured, upright man, and certainly deserved the prosperity which came to him at last. He is the most natural character in the story. Caudray, whose only mission is to marry *Déruchette*, appears to be one of those favored mortals whose pleasure is always provided for.

There are peculiar charms about Hugo's works, the short detached sentences which are uncommon in English hold one's attention very closely. His descriptions of the storms and of the sea are graphic, and although at some intensely interesting point he will break off and moralize, no thought comes of skipping paragraphs, for whether describing the storm at the *Douvres* or the manners of the peasants, he is equally interesting. "The Toilers of the Sea," though not the greatest of Hugo's works, should be read by every student. The moral tone is high, the characters are life-like, and there are many lessons contained in the work which in ordinary form are not palatable, yet here may be read with interest.

CLARA BARTON.

BY CORA B. PENNELL, '94.

NOT alone is it given to woman to pursue the usual routine of household duties, but the wails of the suffering, the moans of the hospital are for her also. None have been more pre-eminent in caring for the sick and afflicted than she, who, standing between hostile armies and amid suffering, whether of the Blue or Gray, impartially pursued her calling. The kind word, the gentle touch, and many a soldier lived to bless her, or died with a prayer on his lips for Clara Barton.

Among the noble women of America to whom shall a greater tribute of reverence be paid, than to her who has ministered to the suffering, and devoted her life to the elevation of mankind?

Not all the world's plaudits or medals could worthily recompense her for her years of devotion and tireless labor. But she never cared for the applause of the multitude. Love of humanity, unselfish devotion, and her deep religious nature were her only incentives. If these constitute true

greatness, then, indeed, is Clara Barton great.

Among the monuments dedicated to heroes of our Civil War, should not one be erected to the memory of the noblest woman of our history?

Her ceaseless devotion to the cause of humanity has aroused the admiration of the world, and yet her labors are not finished. Wherever the cry for help is heard, whether in her native land or on the far off steppes of Russia, like an angel of mercy she is ever present, ever ministering. "Pious and pure, modest, and yet so brave."

When we think that during the terrible disasters of war, thousands of sorrowing homes were made brighter by the thought that their loved ones were cared for by the members of the noblest of all societies, the Red Cross, at whose head stands Clara Barton, what higher eulogism, what nobler monument is needed?

The light of her virtues blending,
Shone like some friendly star,
Pure as the rainbow bending o'er wild Niagara,
To her in vain, the sculptor's shrine will rear—
to gild her memory,
Vain is the praise-encumbered line,
For worth requires no blazonry.

Poets' Corner.

PROPHECY OF THE SEASONS.

I.

Dreary blasts through northern doors,—
Distant winter louder roars,
Nature stands in dread;

Palsied woodland's nerveless hands
Drop her leaves on chilling lands,
Singing birds are fled;

Beauty's requiem is sung,
Over Earth the shroud is flung,
Death has claimed its own.

Simple story, briefly told,—
'Gainst the door the stone is rolled,
Wind-swept trees make moan.

II.

Brightness fills the air around,
Winter winds bear softened sound,
Northward swings the sun.

Soon the stream its silver lid,
'Neath which Autumn left it hid,
Lifts and bears along.

Soon the trees their buds will yield,—
Break the seal from tombs which shield
Nature's prisoned soul.

Sleeping hill-sides toss their wraps,—
Waken from their dreamless lapse;
Light and life control.

III.

Wondrous process, ever new;
Oft recurring, always true,
Is the lesson taught:

Life was ever wrought from death;
Every deep, life giving breath
Atoms brings to naught;—

Mouldering oak and prostrate pine
Enrich the mould, and thus enshrine
Verdure yet unborn.

Miracle of seasons thou!
Teach us by thy coming, how
Comes our wakening morn.

—H., '96.

OBLIVION.

A leaden sky, and a mournful cry
Of winds that rage and blow;
And far and near in prospect drear,
A boundless waste of snow.

The shadows crawl up the dingy wall,
As the hours of daylight wane,

Receding slow, like the labored flow
Of thought in a weary brain.

But lo! 'twixt the leaves of the folio here,
Crushed in its sweetness made sweeter in
death,

Crushed in the prime of its youth and its
blushes,
A rose with the fragrance of Spring in its
breath.

Child of the sunlight and soft air of spring-
time,—

Oh, incense more sweet than the gods ever
breathed,

What memories rise to thy modest enchant-
ments,

What dreams with thy light exhalations are
wreathed.

The earth with mantle richly green,
Has hid all trace of winter's wrong;
Forgetful of the sorrows past,
The robin swells his throat with song,
Through the leaves the sunlight sprinkled,
Flashes in the jeweled dew,
And on the breeze a scent of roses,—
Ah! poor outcast is it you?

O why so persistently
Still dost thou follow me?
Cruel reality, leave me alone.
In this Lethe of fragrance, I've
Sought to be rid of thee,
Leave me alone with my dream.

—E. J. W., '93.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

A PARADOX.

Got back? O yes, some days ago!
Arrived? Well no,—not quite.
He pricks his ears,
A Prof. he hears,
And hustles out of sight.

Gentle spring!

Get ready for those exams.!

And now the Senior joins a teacher's
agency and waits for "results."

W. L. Mason, '91, was at the college
last week. Call around often.

Thompson, '96, has been elected a
division leader in the gymnasium work
of his class.

Jack says three is no crowd, if
they're all co-eds, even if he does have
to sit in their laps.

The Bates Male Quartette sang at
the funeral of the late C. E. B. Libby
at Lisbon, February 28th.

The College Band has been engaged to furnish music for the Memorial-Day exercises in Auburn.

C. N. Blanchard, '92, principal of the Dexter High School, paid the college a flying visit a few days ago.

Rev. Mr. Edwards, of Brunswick, formerly a member of the class of '76, assisted at chapel one morning recently.

HE WILL RECOVER.

The Carnival,
A Freshman bold.
The City gal,
A Freshman sold.

W. R. Fletcher, '94, is teaching at North Turner. His classmates hope to see him in the class-room once more before long.

About the first question a fellow hears when he gets back from teaching is, "Do you want your society bill this morning?"

Have you tried Dan's electric bell? You press the button, and—er, well, if you don't want anything you had better run.

The many friends of W. P. Hamilton, ex-'94, will be glad to learn that he is to return soon and finish his course with '95.

Pennell, Winslow, and Miss Bailey, '93, were the committee for the selection of prize speakers at the Latin School decs., March 3d.

At a meeting held Friday, March 10th, the Junior class unanimously voted to adopt the cap and gown for their Ivy Day exercises.

Quite a number of the students attended the Remenyi concert, Tuesday

evening, February 28th. It was a rich musical treat which no one could fail to enjoy.

SIGNS OF A THAW.

That Spring is coming, gentle Spring,
There can no longer be a doubt.
For on full many a tender lip
The verdant green begins to sprout.

C. S. F. Whitcomb, '90, made the college a visit last week. He has been teaching in Franklin County the past winter.

We are glad to learn that Miss May Nash, '95, is much improved in health, and hope that she will soon be able to resume her studies.

We are sorry to note the serious illness, from brain fever, of Miss Gracia B. Prescott, '96. Her many friends are hoping for a full and speedy recovery.

Frank L. Callahan, '94, has decided to leave college for a year and devote his time exclusively to music, much to the regret of his classmates and friends at the college.

Society work which lagged somewhat at the beginning of the term, has received a fresh impetus with each returning student, and has now taken on its old-time interest and enthusiasm.

Professor Porter H. Dale is at the college preparing the Sophomores for their declamations which occur at the last of the term. He will also instruct the Seniors in the delivery of their parts.

Don't be bashful about handing in items for the local department. We want you to have a personal interest in this matter and see to it that your class

and society news appears regularly in these columns.

News of the recent death of Miss Maud Leslie, sister of Miss Kate Leslie, '94, saddened the hearts of her many friends and acquaintances at the college. Several of the students attended the funeral exercises at Gray.

Several of the students intend to accept the invitation of the Boston alumni, and attend the regular lunch at the American House, on the Saturday of vacation week. It is hoped that all who are in Boston at that time will be present.

That long way round was probably designed to further the interests of co-education, at any rate it seems to be generally appreciated, and on society nights in particular. The Faculty should think twice before they open up the short cut in the spring.

L. E. Moulton, '93, has accepted the position of principal of Monson Academy to succeed the late C. E. B. Libby, '86. He began his work at that place March 6th, with flattering prospects. Mr. Moulton is to be congratulated on securing so good a position.

Prof. (in Political Economy)—“Mr. C. C. B., you may discuss the economic advantages and disadvantages attendant upon the taking of a wife.” C. C. B.—“Personally I don't know anything about the matter.” Prof.—“Then it's high time you were thinking about it.” Blushes from the co-eds.

There is talk of hanging in the lecture room of the Art Building, a fine drawing of the Blaine Memorial Library Building, which is soon to be erected (?).

It will be placed between the representation of the Y. M. C. A. Building and that of the Observatory. With the plans of the ladies' dormitories, and of the new Theological or Latin School Building, this will make a fine collection.

The Seniors read their parts, Monday evening, March 13th, before a committee, consisting of W. H. Judkins, Esq., N. W. Harris, Esq., and H. E. Wyman, of the Divinity School. The following were chosen to take part in the Senior Exhibition: Misses Bean, Hodgdon, Callahan, Little, and Bailey; Messrs. Fanning, Lothrop, McFadden, Pennell, Yeaton, Chase, and Bruce.

Professor W. H. Hartshorn delivered his lecture, “A Trip Through Germany,” at Dexter, Friday evening, March 3d, under the auspices of the Dexter High School, C. N. Blanchard, '92, principal. A large audience was in attendance, and listened with interest and appreciation to Professor Hartshorn's description of the beauty and grandeur of the country along the Rhine, and the many legends connected with the churches and castles throughout Germany. This is proving to be a very popular lecture, wherever given.

Thursday, February 23d, was observed as a Day of Prayer at the college. After chapel the students were addressed by Professor Howe of the Divinity School. In the afternoon an interesting and powerful sermon was delivered at the College Chapel by Rev. D. V. Gwilym, rector of Trinity Church, from the text: “Return unto thy rest, O my soul.” A large audience

of students and citizens were present. In the evening the services were conducted by Professor A. W. Anthony, and were well attended.

On Thursday evening, March 2d, the Freshman class was entertained by Misses Prescott and Hunt, at the home of Mrs. J. V. Wright, 321 Pine Street, Lewiston. A programme consisting of vocal and instrumental music, readings, etc., was carried out. A special feature was the class prophecy, by Miss Thayer. After a time the company adjourned to the kitchen, where dancing and social games were enjoyed by all until a late hour.

The base-ball prospect at Bates is continually growing brighter as the time draws nearer for the season to open. Never before did the boys practice with such vim as they are putting into the work this spring. Mildram left for Boston, March 13th, to take a thorough course of training under Tim Keefe, the world famous pitcher, who is coaching Harvard this season. Capt. Hoffman is also in Boston supervising the training, and looking after other interests of the Athletic Association. Everything points to a strong team to represent Bates in the Maine College League this summer.

The annual meeting of the Maine Intercollegiate Tennis Association was held Saturday, March 5th, at Waterville. H. M. Conners, of Colby was elected President; Ralph A. Sturges, of Bates, Vice-President; F. W. Pickard, of Bowdoin, Secretary; and H. Murray, of Maine State College, Treasurer. The annual tournament will be held in Port-

land, May 30th and 31st, and June 1st and 2d. The association's constitution has been amended, making the annual dues \$10. The next annual meeting will be held in Lewiston. The following men have been chosen to get in practice for the preliminary tournament, which will determine the men who are to play at Portland: Class of '93—Sturges, Bruce, Hoffman, Joiner, Marden, McFadden, Pennell, Small, Winslow; Class of '94—L. J. Brackett, Field, Noone, Page, Small, Woodman; Class of '95—Bolster, Brown, T. C. Pulsifer, Smith, Wakefield; Class of '96—Boothby, Cutts, Gerrish, Hilton, Norton, Thompson.

On account of bad weather the annual exercises by the Polymnian and Eurosophian societies, in commemoration of Washington's Birthday, took place on the evening of February 24th, or two days later than intended. The following programme was carried out:

Piano Solo.	A. P. Irving.
PRAYER.	
Music.	Quartette.
Declamation.—Tribute to Washington.—Harrison.	O. F. Cutts.
Washington and his Co-laborers; what he accomplished and how they assisted him.	
Washington.	Sarah L. Staples.
Hamilton.	C. H. Swan.
Jefferson.	E. W. Noone.
Music.—Violin Solo.	L. P. Gerrish.
Franklin.	Ray Summerbell.
Adams.	Ethel I. Cummings.
Lafayette.	M. W. Stickney.
Reading.—Nathan Hale, the Martyr	
Spy.—Brown.	Cora B. Pennell.
Music.	Quartette.
Quartette. Messrs. Stickney, Brown, Sturges, and Wingate.	

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Mr. H. E. Wilson, '94, has charge of the Free Baptist church in Greene.

Rev. A. D. Dodge, '86, of Clinton, Me., has accepted a call to Amesbury, Mass.

Rev. F. W. Sanford, '89, Bates, '86, is engaged in evangelistic work in Texas.

Rev. C. G. Mosher, '91, of Madison, Me., has received a call to Worcester, Mass.

Rev. Franklin Blake, '86, has entered upon his pastoral duties at West Lebanon, Me.

Rev. C. E. Mason, '85, Bates, '82, has resigned his pastorate in Bangor, Me. He will go to Colorado.

Mr. F. B. Nelson, '93, Bates, '90, will supply the pulpit of the Orr's Island Free Baptist church during the remainder of the school year.

Prof. A. T. Salley, '79, Bates, '75, of the Department of Sacred Literary in Hillsdale College, is pursuing studies in Berlin. His address is Schloss-Freiheit 6¹¹¹, just opposite the palace of the Emperor.

Mr. D. L. Dean, '95, the founder and superintendent of the "Union Rescue Mission, is an efficient Christian worker. In his missionary endeavors he has the hearty support of the students and of the churches in the two cities. His work suggests one answer to the problem, "How can the church and the masses be brought together?"

Three more lectures have been given in our excellent lecture course, "The Worth of Business Methods to the Min-

ister," was the subject presented by Mr. Addison Small, February 17th. March 3d, Professor Angell delivered his lecture on the "Crusades" to the students and their friends gathered in the chapel of the Latin School. And on March 10th came the medical lecture by Dr. W. B. Small, Bates, '85, on "Some Diseases and Their Prevention." Dr. Small was as genial and helpful in the lecture chair as he is by the bedside of his patients.

Signs of increasing interest in the work of the school appear in various quarters; one of these comes in the form of a circular letter recently issued by the officers of the "Alumni Association of Cobb Divinity School," containing a statement of the history and the aims of the association. The alumni met last June, reorganized, and decided to hold an annual meeting each year in connection with the graduating exercises. An annual address will be given by one of the alumni, and there will be an opportunity also, for the discussion of questions pertaining to the association and to the school. All this promises for the school new dignity, larger usefulness, more students, and greater material resources.

John Huntington, of Cleveland, Ohio, has bequeathed \$700,000, to be used in building an art and polytechnic school in that city, and a further sum of \$800,000 as an endowment fund for it.

Columbia, Dartmouth, and Williams have done away with commencement exercises.

Alumni Department.

THE STORY OF THE FIRST GRADUATES FROM BATES.

IT WILL be thirty years next August since the first Freshman class at Bates College, at the close of an unusually warm day, filed for the first time into their reserved seats, to attend college prayers. They bore themselves with a conscious dignity that to any subsequent Freshman class would have been incomprehensible. If Louis XIV. could proudly say, "I am the state," they could with equal pride and quite as much truth say, We are the college. On the platform, to be sure, sat the Faculty, consisting of the President and two Professors, the latter giving the larger share of their energies to instruction in the preparatory department. The members of the Freshman class, as they glanced from their seats in the right-hand corner of the old chapel (now divided into Prof. Harts-horn's lecture-room and physical laboratory), encountered the gaze of some four hundred eyes. For Bates began its life after the manner of a Western rather than an Eastern college, including under one name and government the students of the fitting school and the seminary as well as of the college proper.

The gaze of the two hundred young men and young women who witnessed the advent of the first Bates Freshmen was one of reverent awe,—an awe never wholly dissipated by the somewhat miscellaneous social life of the institution. Students of all grades then

roomed in Parker Hall (the eastern half being occupied by the young ladies), and mingled freely in the dining-room, the literary societies, and the prayer-meetings.

If the original college seemed to belong to the West rather than to the East, so also did the grounds and even the neighboring city. The campus was a field furnishing hay for the cows in the college barn, which occupied the present site of the gymnasium. It was bare of trees, with the exception of a single row next to College Street, and the road that led to the then somewhat distant city was lined with stump fences. There seemed to be little within or without the college to suggest the classic halls and shades whose associations appeal so powerfully to ardent and imaginative youth.

Moreover, the Western plan did not meet with favor. Ridiculed by the students of other Maine colleges, it severely tested the loyalty of the pioneers at Bates. Nor was it abandoned till 1868, the year that the second class graduated. But the members of these early classes believed in their college.

Had they not possessed more than ordinary strength of character, their humble and obscure *Alma Mater* must have been short-lived. Most of them had petitioned that the college might be established. For Maine State Seminary became Bates College in response to the request of sixteen young men, in 1862, that they might pursue their college studies where they had taken

their preparatory course. What sort of young men these were, may be inferred from the fact that of the class ready to enter college in 1862 thirteen enlisted in the war for the Union. Of this number nearly one-half gave their lives to their country. Of the twenty-three young men that entered the first two classes, eight were in active service. Four of this number enlisted after entering college. Two of them died in the army, and a third returned to die at home.

Contrary to what seems to be the general impression, ladies were admitted to the first two classes, the first class having had upon its rolls the names of eleven young women. More than half of this number were for a year or more in regular attendance. But thirty years ago New England sentiment was far from favorable to college training for woman. Perhaps, then, it is not strange that Bates sent out the first lady *graduate* from a New England college in 1869, rather than in 1867.

Nearly *all* the young men in the first two classes were compelled to pay their own way. And paying one's way was quite a different thing thirty years ago from what it is to-day. Those young men were used to hard work. They had no false notions about labor; and their example and the example of their successors at Bates have contributed, to a degree little appreciated, both to the ampler opportunities for earning money now enjoyed by college men, and to the changed estimate put upon the student that works his way through college. There are, doubtless, hundreds of young men now in Eastern

colleges who would not be enjoying their present opportunities but for the examples of self-help, of economy, and of inventiveness in opening new employments, set by the first graduates of Bates. Personal knowledge of the circumstances of these men warrants the unqualified assertion that in their day few of them could have found any other college home than the one they determined to make. For it was in no small degree the students themselves who gave the college its policy. No hazing, no drinking, no robbing of hen-roosts and orchards, no cliques, no castes, no rioting, but open, manly, sympathetic effort along all the lines of student progress! Such was the standard. Nor did they fall far below it. They gave to our college its distinctive features,—the features that, in spite of occasional lapses, are still its pride and its strength.

Nor were they grim Puritans. Parker Hall has never held a merrier set than the boys of '67 and '68. How those peals of laughter still ring in the memory!

Have their lives been worthy of their college record?

Thirteen men graduated in the first two classes—eight in the first, five in the second,—every one of them pledged to a Christian life. Not one of the number has died, and all are still actively employed.

What have these men been doing? When they severally graduated, the diplomas that they bore away won for them, beyond the small circle of friends to their humble college, scarcely more than contempt. The question was not,

What can the diploma do for the man? but, What value can the man give to the diploma? To-day the graduate of Bates applying for a position as a teacher need not stand aside for any man. His A.B. makes him the peer of the best man in any professional school or university.

What have the first graduates done toward securing this result?

Of the thirteen men in the first two classes, one became a doctor, one a lawyer, two are business men, five became ministers, three are connected with colleges, and one with the Boston Latin School. All but one of the thirteen have been in active service as teachers. The five ministers were all contributed by the first class,—five out of the eight members,—as was also the doctor. The second class furnished the lawyer, and of the four educators, each must be credited with two. Each class also has given the world one business man. Four of the '67 men are living outside of New England,—three in the far West, and one in Washington, D. C. Three of the other four are in Maine, and one in Massachusetts.

The five '68 men all live in New England. With the growing demands and opportunities of the newer parts of our country, recent Bates graduates are distributed more widely.

A detailed examination of each man's work may be of interest. Frank Eugene Sleeper, after graduating, was first a successful tutor at Bates, then a student of medicine. He graduated from the Maine Medical School at Brunswick, and for a short time practiced medicine in Lewiston; in 1870 he

removed to Sabatis, continuing there in his profession. He is a member of the American Medical Association and a Fellow of the American Academy of Medicine. With a large practice and an enviable reputation for his professional attainments, Dr. Sleeper has been active in social and political life. He has been at the head of the Masonic Order in Maine, and has held one of the highest offices of this Order in the country. He has been a member of the Lewiston City Council, and from 1887 to 1891 was a member of the Maine Senate. He was for some years a Trustee of Bates College. He has two children, a daughter and a son. His daughter is preparing to enter the college next fall.

Arthur Given immediately after graduating became principal of New Hampton Institution. His scholarship and his success in the administration of that important school won for him a unanimous election as principal of the Seminary and Latin School, after they were separated from the college in 1868. He held this position four years, in the meantime taking his theological studies in the Cobb Divinity School.

From 1872-91 he held the following pastorates: 1872-75, Free Baptist church Bangor, Me.; 1875-81, Free Baptist church Greenville, R. I.; 1881-90, Free Baptist church, Auburn, R. I. In this last pastorate, amid great difficulties, he secured the erection of a large and beautiful church. During this pastorate, also, he was for a year a member of the Rhode Island General Assembly. He has won noteworthy success as an educator, a pastor, and as

a man of affairs. His business ability has been tested in several responsible positions. He has since 1885 been Treasurer of the Free Baptist Benevolent Societies; and since 1890 he has served as Publisher and Treasurer of the *Morning Star*, Boston, Mass.

His judgment and business ability have been repeatedly sought in connection with the financial interests of his denomination. He is recognized as a ripe scholar and an able preacher, and is one of the leaders of the Free Baptist body. He has one child, a daughter, now in the Girls' Latin School, Boston. Few men of his years have had equal breadth of experience. Soldier, teacher, pastor, legislator, treasurer, publisher, and ever faithful trustee of his *Alma Mater*; in each of these capacities he has done honor to his college.

Albert Hayford Heath, even in his preparatory course, was known as an eloquent and impressive preacher. Like his classmates, wholly dependent on his own exertions, he knew how to work with his hands. He was a skillful house painter, and as such had been employed upon Hathorn Hall. He and Given rang the college bell, occupying the bell room during part of their course.

He has been a pastor of large and important churches, with scarcely a month of leisure, ever since he graduated. Three years with the Court Street Free Baptist Church, Auburn, Me., six years with the Roger Williams Free Baptist Church, Providence, R. I., thirteen years with the North Congregational Church, New Bedford, Mass., and four

with the Plymouth Congregational Church, St. Paul, Minn., he has been one of the busiest as well as one of the best known of Bates graduates. All these churches have enjoyed great prosperity under his care. His life as a pastor has brought him into intimate relations with distinguished men and made him an active participant in the great religious movements of our time. At the Roger Williams Church he was successor to George T. Day, D.D., one of the most eloquent men in the Free Baptist denomination. At New Bedford his immediate predecessor was Alonzo H. Quint, D.D., who has been called the Nestor of modern Congregationalism; while among his parishioners was Henry M. Dexter, D.D., the great historian of his denomination. His present church in St. Paul is the mother of all the other Congregational churches in that city, and a center of the religious activities of that body in the West. In 1887, he received the degree of D.D. from Iowa College. Dr. Heath has been intimately connected with important educational work, both East and West. No voice has pleaded more earnestly and effectively for Bates. For several years after he graduated, he was the right-hand man of President Cheney, and one of the most influential of our Trustees. Appointed by Mrs. Tabor, of New Bedford, as Trustee of Tabor Academy, at Marion, Mass., an institution which she left \$400,000 to found, he was, till his removal to the West, President of its corporation and the chief organizer of one of the best endowed and equipped New England schools. He

is a Trustee of Windom Institute, Montevideo, Minn., and of Carleton College in the same State. He has been for many years a Member of the Webster Historical Society of Massachusetts. He is also a Member of the American Academy of Political Science, at Philadelphia.

In the deliberative bodies of the Congregational denomination he has had an honorable prominence. He has been a member of three Triennial National Councils. He was chosen to represent Minnesota, in 1891, as a member of the London International Council, and in the same year was made a corporate member of the American Board—the highest honor, according to Leonard Bacon, that a Congregational minister can win. He has just been made a member of the Advisory Committee of the World's Congress of Religions at the Chicago World's Fair.

Dr. Heath has published many sermons, historical papers, essays, and addresses. The earliest of his published utterances was "An Oration at Planting of Class Tree," Bates College, 1864, and was delivered near the close of his Freshman year. One of his published sermons, "The Disadvantages of Culture," was delivered in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., where he preached several times on the invitation of Mr. Beecher. He was for three years editor of the *Old Colonist*, a literary and historical magazine of southern Massachusetts. He has been a frequent contributor to *The Congregationalist*, *The Christian Union*, and *The Advance*.

Dr. Heath looks scarcely ten years

older than when he graduated, twenty-five years ago. He has two children, a son and a daughter.

George Small Ricker, the youngest member of '67, went West after his graduation, and for three years was engaged in teaching in Bristol and Hennepin, Ill., and in Nebraska City, Neb. He entered Cobb Divinity School in 1870, graduating in 1872. He has been in active service as pastor and preacher ever since. The following is the record: Pastor of Free Baptist Church at Richmond, Me., 1872-74; 1874-82, preacher and pastor in Lowell, Mass. (from February, 1875, to July, 1882, pastor of Mount Vernon Free Baptist Church, which he himself organized); 1882-83, pastor of Free Baptist Church, Norwich, N. Y.; 1883-85, Congregational minister in Stillwater, Minn. (there he organized a church, and built a \$5,000 house of worship); 1885-89, pastor of church in Pierce City, Mo. (under his care, church building enlarged and parsonage purchased); from June, 1889, supplied for three months church in Kansas City, Mo.; 1889-90, pastor of Church of the Redeemer, St. Louis, Mo.; 1890-91, evangelist; from September, 1891, pastor at Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Those who knew Mr. Ricker as a student will see how his restless energy as a young man foreshadowed his toilsome and busy life. His incessant activity has yielded large and valuable results, such as are indicated in his success in organizing churches and securing the erection of church buildings. The value of his work is also seen in the following statement of accessions

to membership in churches under his care: Richmond, 30; Lowell, 214; in Minnesota, 36; in Pierce City, 97; in St. Louis, 18; in various other churches, 70; in Cheyenne, 69,—total in twenty years, 534. He has had a large share also in the educational and religious work of the two denominations with which he has been connected. He served for six years as a Trustee of Bates College, five years as Trustee of Rogers Academy, Ark., and several years on Home Missionary Committee in Missouri. He is now serving as member of Executive Committee of Wyoming Congregational Association, chairman of Wyoming Home Missionary Committee, secretary of Congregational Church Building Society for Wyoming, and member of the State Educational Committee. He has been chaplain of the Wyoming Senate during its last session. Five of his seven children are living, four daughters and a son. Mr. Ricker has scholarship, enthusiasm, and eloquence. He is well adapted to the bustling life of the New West.

Winfield Scott Stockbridge, upon the completion of his college studies, took the graduate course in the Bangor Theological Seminary. After leaving Bangor he preached for a time; then for five years was principal of Lapham Institute, North Scituate, R. I. Subsequently he was for eight years Superintendent of the Industrial School, Georgetown, D. C. He is now engaged in business in Washington, D. C., his address being 1337 F Street. He has four children, two sons and two daughters. His genial and sympathetic nature has won for him many friends.

Harrison French Wood, after graduation, taught for a short time in Lapham Institute, North Scituate, R. I. Then for two years he was principal of the Commercial College in Augusta, Me. While in Augusta he was instrumental in establishing the Young Men's Christian Association, and was its first President. He also acted for a time as Chaplain of the Soldiers' Home at Togus, near Augusta. Having been authorized by Gen. B. F. Butler, President of the Board of Managers, to obtain a library for the institution, in a short time he secured 2,000 standard volumes without expense to the Home, the books being given. In recognition of this service the library was named "The Wood Memorial Library." Entering Cobb Divinity School in 1870, he graduated in 1872. He has had the following pastorates: Free Baptist Church at West Waterville (now Oakland), 1870-74; Pine Street Free Baptist Church, Manchester, N. H., 1876-82; Broadway Free Baptist Church, Dover, N. H., 1882-89; North Street Free Baptist Church, Bath, Me., 1889-.

In 1889 he was a delegate from the State of New Hampshire to The World's Sunday School Convention in London. Before returning, he traveled extensively on the Continent and in Great Britain. He has prepared and given several lectures on his travels.

Mr. Wood has devoted considerable time to the interests of Missions and Sunday-schools. He was for several years a member of the Free Baptist Foreign Mission Board, for many years Corresponding Secretary of the Sunday-school Union, also President of the Free

Baptist Temperance Union, which position he still holds. He has taken a deep interest in temperance work among children. In Manchester, N. H., he had charge of a "Band" made up from all the Sunday-schools in that city, and numbering one thousand members—each pledged not to use alcoholic drinks, tobacco, or profane language. He has had charge of similar bands in other pastorates. He has recently made a valuable collection of statistics showing the methods and results of the "Keeley Cure." Mr. Wood has one daughter.

He is a keen observer of men and things, and knows how to use the advantages of travel. He intends before long to visit Egypt and the Holy Land.

Joel Stevens Parsons is probably as well remembered by old students at Bates as any man in his class. A diligent worker and an accurate scholar, he relieved the tedium of his own life, as well as that of his associates, by his quaint and original schemes for fun. Recent letters from him to old friends show that he is as quaint and genial as ever.

After graduating, he was for three years the successful Principal of the High School in Collinsville, Ill. Then for ten years, 1870-80, he was proprietor of an agricultural warehouse in St. Paul, Minn. Since 1880 he has been a prosperous agriculturist in Red River Valley, North Dakota. He now lives in Theed in that State, where he has one thousand acres under cultivation, which he expects "to seed" in April. In connection with his farm he owns a warehouse or elevator, where he "buys wheat, oats, barley, wood, and lands, for cash."

Mr. Parsons writes for the local press and takes a deep interest in the solution of curious mathematical problems, an interest resulting in a pleasant correspondence between himself and his classmate, Prof. Rand. He has six children, four sons and two daughters. His older daughter is teaching music in Red River Valley University. His oldest son will enter the Law Department at Michigan University, in October next.

John Holmes Rand went directly from college to New Hampton Seminary, New Hampton, N. H., where for nine years he had charge of the department of Mathematics, teaching also Mental and Moral Philosophy, and, for a few years, Latin. Called in 1876 to the chair of Mathematics at Bates, he has made the work of his department respected at every college in New England. Men who have taken the first two years of their course at Bates and the last two at Yale have thanked him for the able instruction that has enabled them not only to pass without conditions a difficult examination for advanced standing, but to rank among the best mathematicians in their class. Within the last two years Professor Rand has made a special study of the methods of teaching mathematics used in Harvard, Boston University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Wellesley, Yale, and Columbia. He has for some years suffered from poor health, but within a few months he has made rapid gains in strength. He has two daughters.

Professor Rand has not only been an efficient teacher, but the judicious

guardian of the college grounds and buildings. For the numerous important improvements in these, made during the last fifteen years, a chief share of the credit is due to him. He has solved with wonderful skill the problem of securing large results with small means.

The class of '68 will probably always enjoy the distinction of being "the smallest that has graduated from Bates." It never had, at one time, more than seven members. Joseph Rounds died midway of the course, his constitution having been shattered while enduring the hardships of a soldier's life in the Union army. Joseph Hewitt Freeman, the other soldier in the class, left college finally near the end of the second year. He has won well-deserved distinction as an educator in the West. For a year or more he was Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the State of Illinois. He is now Superintendent of the Schools of Aurora in that State, and recently presided at the dedication of one of the finest school buildings in that part of the country. He received a few years ago from Bates the honorary degree of A.M., and might properly be enrolled among her graduates. He has several children, one daughter being now in Wellesley College.

Grenville Cyrus Emery was elected, at graduation, teacher of mathematics in the Latin School. His success secured him at the end of a year the dual position of Superintendent of Schools, and Principal of the Edward Little High School, Auburn, Maine. Mr. Emery remained in Auburn two years and one-half, and gave to its schools an excellent course of study and an enviable

reputation for thoroughness and efficiency. From 1871 to 1872 he was Principal of the high school in Grand Rapids, Mich. In the fall of 1872 he was elected a sub-master in the Lawrence Grammar School, South Boston. In this position he won great distinction both as an instructor and a disciplinarian. It is doubtful whether any man ever secured from rough and neglected boys more loyal obedience, or more diligent devotion to study. A visit to his room could never be forgotten. In 1881 he was given leave of absence on half-pay for one year. He spent this time as a student in Göttingen University, Germany, giving his vacations to travel. On his return in 1882 he was elected a junior master in the Boston Latin School. He was afterward elected master. In 1891-92 he was granted another year's absence on half-pay. He spent the time in southern California. He is again at his post in the Latin School, but resides in Cambridge. Since 1876 he has been a highly useful member of the Bates Board of Overseers. He is one of the authors of a well known text-book, Bradbury and Emery's Academic Algebra. Three of his five children are living, two daughters and a son. His older daughter has, on account of her health, lived during the last few years in California. She will graduate this year from the University of Southern California.

Thomas Oakes Knowlton was for the first three years after graduation, Principal of Francestown Academy, Francestown, N. H., meanwhile finding some time to read law. With such

diligence did he read, that in 1872, after only a year's residence at the Harvard Law School, he graduated with the degree of LL.B. During this year, too, he supplemented his income by serving as principal of an evening school in Boston. After some time spent in travel he began, in 1873, the practice of his profession in New Boston, N. H. He has added to his legal employments the care of his large farm. He has held various town offices, and has been a member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives. He has two children, a daughter and a son.

Of indomitable perseverance in facing and surmounting obstacles, of pluck and courage in fighting and overcoming all sorts of hostile circumstances, Bates has never furnished a better exemplar. Neither has she graduated a man that knows better the depth and tenderness of true friendship.

Howard Woodbury Littlefield taught for a year after graduating, a part of the time as Principal of the Grammar School, Augusta, Me. Being the only son of aged parents, and feeling it his highest duty to minister to the wants of their declining years, he then returned to his home at Wells Branch, Me. He has resided in Wells ever since. During a part of the time he has been actively engaged in business as a farmer and a lumberman, but he has suffered much from ill health, and has been compelled to repress the native energy and enterprise which his old college friends will remember as a marked characteristic. He has represented his town in the Maine Legislature, has repeatedly served it in the

highest local offices, and for fifteen years has been a member of its superintending school committee. His interest in the schools of Wells has been a passion with him, as scores of Bates students employed in them have occasion gratefully to remember. To this interest is due in a wonderful degree the large number of young men and young women who have gone from Wells to our higher institutions of learning. Bates owes not a few of her graduates to the timely counsel and aid given by him to perplexed and struggling students, wistfully but almost despairingly looking toward college life. He has been no less active in promoting the moral and religious welfare of his community, giving his time, his thought, and his money, with the same generosity that in the "old days" made him, perhaps, the most beloved and popular student in college. He was for several years a Trustee of Bates, but was compelled to withdraw from the responsibilities of that office by ill health and by filial duties that kept him closely at home. He is the only member of the first two classes that has not married.

Oliver Clinton Wendell was conscious, even in the early years of his college course, of the purpose that has ruled his life. A brilliant scholar in all the departments of college work, he formed long before he graduated the plans that he has thus far steadily followed. Becoming in 1868 a graduate student at Harvard University Observatory, he left there, in the pursuance of a livelihood, to become, in 1870, a civil and hydraulic engineer in the service of the manufacturing companies at Lowell,

Mass. But he never relinquished his purpose, and assiduously devoted his leisure time to the study of Astronomy. In 1875 he came to Bates as Professor of Astronomy, bringing with him the fine telescope, planned and largely made by himself, which was afterward purchased for the college. Ill health and the inadequate endowment of the college led him in 1876 to resume his occupation at Lowell, with its health-giving out-of-door activities. He remained in Lowell till 1879, when he joined the astronomical corps of the Harvard Observatory. He has been actively engaged in his favorite occupation ever since. He is one of the ablest and best known astronomers in the country. He has had opportunities to become connected, at a large salary, with the most elaborately equipped observatory in the country, but has preferred to remain at Cambridge, where his intimate relations with distinguished scientists are highly valuable to him in his researches.

He is a Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and a Member of the Mathematical and Physical Club of Cambridge and Boston. He has published some seventy-five astronomical papers, and is the author of portions of several volumes of *Observatory Annals*. He has two sons.

It has long been the hope of Bates that she might have his services as director of an observatory of her own. This hope, still deferred, is not abandoned.

Of the remaining member of '68 little need be said, the facts of his uneventful life being already familiar to most readers of the *STUDENT*. He has five children, a son and four daughters. The son expects to graduate from Bates in June, and the oldest daughter to enter the college next August.

In conclusion, it is but just to say that the members of '67 and '68 have been loyal to *Alma Mater*. Nearly all of them struggled unaided through four years of toil and self-denial, and went out of college bearing in their hands only their hard-won diplomas. But they made haste to bring to their youthful mother the first fruits of their graduate earnings. Had her younger children been equally helpful, the two or three professorships still so urgently needed would have been endowed years ago.

G. C. C., '68.

TO THE TENNIS PLAYERS OF BATES.

THIS is not a "letter to the editors" nor is it intended for the edification of the *STUDENT's* "general public." Its express purpose is, as requested, to encourage, and I trust, to help the tennis players of Bates in their preparation for the intercollegiate tournament in June. It will consist of an informal talk in the second person, which every man who owns a racquet, will please take to himself. And it will be arbitrary, for almost every feature of the training which I shall recommend, has proved its value.

First I want to urge you to go to work at once indoors, for by constant,

careful work from now till the courts are ready, you will be able to go on them, with your arms in as good condition and as used to the racquet, and with as good an "eye for the ball," as you had when you put away your racquet in the fall. And you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you are getting valuable training that your rivals are not getting. It is very easy to spend the required time on the courts, but very few players care to take the trouble to work during the winter.

The best place for indoor practice is the basement of the gymnasium, in the open space between the bowling alleys and the baths. If you draw a chalk line on the wall at the end of the building, three feet above the floor, and another line on the floor thirty-nine feet from the end wall, you have as complete a serving range as could be desired. If your service hits the walls two to four inches above the chalk line, it would ordinarily be good in actual play. Practice both the out and in curves—the latter is very useful against our Bowdoin friends. And be sure to hit the ball as high in the air as the strength of your arm and shoulder, and the accuracy of your placing will allow. The advantage of this is obvious.

For base line play, move up a little nearer the wall and practice returning the ball from the ground, or "on the bounce." Try the "Sanford," you can get it here much more readily than on the court. And here you can get practice in "passing." For this, select some point on the wall, just above the line, and try to hit that point as often as possible, using a swift hard stroke.

And above all practice the back-hand stroke. It is not impossible, or even difficult, to get that stroke so that it will be as natural as the fore-hand stroke, but if you depend on court practice, to secure that result, you will never be sure of your back-hand. You must train it indoors or nowhere.

Then for practice in quickness of eye, hand, and foot, move up to within eight or ten feet of the wall, or mark a net line on the wall at your right, and play against that. See how many times you can return the ball so that it would be "in," if you were on a court. And you must make hard work of all this. Play as if on the accuracy and speed of every stroke depended the success of Bates in June, and that is nearer true than you think.

To attain the best results, you should spend at least three-quarters of an hour there every day. If you've only spirit enough to go in and lazily knock the ball around for ten minutes, keep out. Bates has no use for such men.

As to gymnasium work proper, I advise every man to join the base-ball squad, unless there are enough of you to form a division of your own. For special work, practice all motions on the chest weights that will develop the arm and shoulder, particularly the forearm movement, and run a mile every day, preferably out of doors.

So much for indoor work. I would like to write as much more about your work on the courts but my letter is already too long. But I must add a few suggestions. Get accustomed to the courts as soon as possible after they are ready. Get used to playing

with the sun in your eyes; and, above all, be conscientious in your playing; make hard work of it, especially on your "off" days. But the time to win the tournament is now, in the gymnasium.

If any further advice is desired by any student I shall be very glad to give it, if he will write me at the address given below.

NELSON W. HOWARD, '92.

18 Shepard Street, Cambridge, Mass.

A TRIBUTE.

AUBURN, March 9, 1893.

FROM various parts of the world the hearts of the class of '86 are drawn together to participate for the first time since our graduation, in a sad duty—the last we can perform for a dear classmate.

A part of it was fulfilled by the few who were present at the funeral ceremonies at Lisbon on February 27th; the rest is for all of us to cherish a memory of his virtues.

Charles E. B. Libby was loved by all his class. He possessed many sterling qualities. A hard working and faithful student, a favorite with both classmates and teachers. He was always cheerful, hopeful, and even jubilant over the prospects and opportunities of life. He inspired all he met with something of his own ardor; and his life among us left many pleasant memories and good examples, which could not but make us better and truer men.

I am sure I speak for all the class

when I say that we have had a great loss, and that we feel the deepest sympathy for his wife, his family, and his friends in this time of great trial and sorrow.

A. E. VERRILL, Sec. of '86.

MR. SAFFORD CRITICISES.

To the Editors of the Student:

I WAS much interested in an article signed "W.," appearing in the Alumni Department of the February STUDENT.

I agree with the writer that "Bates should train her young men to skill in judging the great issues of the day," and that there should be "fearless seeking of the truth."

I do not believe that the study of the "great unsolved problems" by undergraduates would either contribute to their skill in judging or bring the world any nearer to the ultimate solution of these problems.

Such problems must be solved in real life. The instruction in most schools and colleges is too theoretical and bookish already. The great *desideratum* in all instruction is to stimulate the pupil to observe, to judge, and to act.

The pupil cannot observe that which does not come within the range of his experience; he has no rational basis for judging until he has observed; and he certainly is not fearlessly seeking the truth unless he acts upon his own judgment.

The value of those studies that seek to interpret man's political and social

environment cannot be denied, but the advisability of studying those portions that lie outside of the student's experience is doubtful. It is easy to theorize. Society is flooded with theorists. Every prig is ready to advise those in authority. We need men that are as conscious of their ignorance as of their knowledge.

The scientific habit of thought comes not from any particular study nor from any particular amount of study. It depends upon *how* we study. These recent words of John W. Dickinson are well worth our attention: "We do not necessarily enrich a course by adding new subjects to the list. The addition may distract the learner's mind by bringing into its presence a mass of unrelated things as occasions of knowledge. The enriching we need is an improved method of teaching" (or studying).

Bates has always been active in the improvement of her facilities for study. Let the good work go on, but it is to be hoped that Bates will not try to ape the university in her curriculum.

So far as English Language and Literature are concerned, it seems to me that Bates has a remarkably good course, under the direction of an especially able professor.

With all deference to those who may differ with me, it is my judgment that the recent adverse criticisms of the curriculum at Bates, and of the practice of allowing needy students four weeks' absence for the purpose of teaching were out of place in the columns of the STUDENT.

If undergraduates or alumni wish to

advise the Faculty or the Trustees, might it not be done in some other manner with greater propriety?

A. L. SAFFORD.

SHELBURNE FALLS, MASS., March 7, 1893.

[We are pleased to publish the above from an honored alumnus. It contains an opinion. The opinion opposes the policy pursued by the STUDENT. This policy, rather than the ideas advanced by the former alumnus, we feel called upon to defend. We had considered our province not merely to publish the report of an occasional ball game or public exercise, prefaced with a few literary products. We assume that Bates is confident of increased resources and a healthy growth. We assume that various opinions exist among the friends of the college as to the immediate purpose to which any forthcoming funds would be most advantageously devoted. We hoped that the plain expression of these opinions might be of some profit—either in themselves or in the thoughts which they might suggest to the reader. On the important question of a curriculum the article in question not only brought out the opinion of "W." but has also elicited some valuable ideas from Mr. Safford. This is as it should be, unless we gravely misapprehend the spirit of both officers and laymen. The two gentlemen think differently. Most thinkers do. Our purpose has been to promote the expression of opinions on all matters of interest to the college, but at the same time to forestall any prolonged controversy or needless quibbling. In the character

of our contributors and the unselfish nature of the subject we feel there is assured protection. The vindication of our conduct of the alumni department depends upon its results in practice. In theory its wisdom seems to be doubted by one at least.

Perhaps a word is necessary in regard to the editorial paragraphs. The gentleman must have entirely misconceived the diction as well as the intent of the editorial relative to absence from recitation. The writer entertained no opinion adverse to the "practice of allowing needy students four weeks' absence," and certainly no such opinion was implied in the paragraph. The aim was simply to emphasize the benefit of regular attendance upon recitations, when that privilege is possible to the student. A mind preoccupied with the preparation of his annual report, of which we are favored with advance sheets, doubtless accounts for a hurried perusal of this department. The appropriateness of the editorial suggestion in regard to the direction in which extension could be most beneficially made hinges again upon the propriety of candidly discussing the interests of the institution from which our magazine is issued. If the editorial in question was generally received as an "adverse criticism" of our curriculum, the wording was unfortunate. If, on the other hand, it was accepted as a sober and well-meant suggestion in the interest and anticipation of progress, then the true spirit and the intended wording of the article is appreciated.

It is strictly true that "every prig is

ready to advise those in authority." It is equally true that those in charge, whether of a college or magazine, seldom feel their course or policy infallible. So it is with the editors of the *STUDENT*. The desirability of a few articles on college journalism has been felt. We think a short series on the subject would be of interest and profit, so we have dropped Professor Safford a line inviting a communication on college journalism, hoping that he will especially deal with the circumstances of this particular case. What is the mission of the *STUDENT*? In what direction should it particularly devote its energy? As one who was recently numbered in our prospectus, and upon whom the subject seems to have just now pressed itself, Superintendent Safford is eminently fitted to counsel us in this matter, and we hope in our April number to give our readers the benefit of that gentleman's experience and thought.—ED.]

PERSONALS.

'68.—J. H. Freeman, who was for two years a member of the class of '68, and who received an honorary A.M. from Bates, has just dedicated the finest public school building in Illinois. He is superintendent of schools in Aurora, Ill.

'80.—I. F. Frisbee, of the Latin School, is intending to publish a "Greek Book for Beginners." As soon as his term on the school-board expires, he will devote his whole leisure to this work, which will be based upon pedagogical principles, and embody Profes-

sor Frisbee's practical experience of thirteen years in teaching Greek.

'80.—W. H. Judkins is a member of the Lewiston school committee for the coming year from Ward 1.

'81.—The death of Henry B. Nevens occurred in Auburn, February 26th. After his graduation he was for one year superintendent of schools at Rockland; for five years principal of the High School at Bridgeton; and for four years principal of the High School at Attleboro, Mass. At his funeral, Rev. F. H. Dillingham, of North Attleboro, officiated. The Androscoggin Odd Fellows, the Attleboro High School, and the Faculty of Bates College were represented.

'82.—Mr. H. S. Bullen, has left his superintendency at Northboro, Mass., to take charge of a branch of the Bridge Teachers' Agency in Chicago.

'82.—C. E. Mason contemplates removal from Bangor to Denver, Col., on account of the ill health of a member of his family. His wife and child are already in Denver.

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for a number of years past. We feel that it is of the utmost importance for the welfare of the schools that the present superintendent be retained." The report shows the total number of schools under Mr. Norcross' supervision to be forty-seven, including two high schools and twenty-one grammar schools, with total number of fifty-five teachers, and two thousand two hundred and fifty-four students.

'83.—Mr. H. H. Tucker, of Holbrook, Mass., was married, February 18th, at Wolfboro, N. H., to Miss Vilette M. Parker, of that town.

'83.—F. E. Manson, of the *Morning Mail*, Lowell, Mass., has accepted a very fine position in Pennsylvania, as managing editor of the *Williamsport Times*.

'84.—E. H. Emery has recently changed his post from Chicago to Cairo, as the following item from the *Chicago Daily Tribune* will indicate: "Chicago weather has been too much for E. H. Emery, who has been in charge of the local weather office for the last two months. He has made his last prediction in Chicago, for the present at least. To-night he leaves for a new station at Cairo, Ill., and he takes with him an increase of salary and an official pat on the back from Uncle Jerry Rusk. As variety is the spice of life, Chicago people can certainly find no fault with the article furnished by Mr. Emery during the last six weeks. From slush to mud, from lively to severe, he has rung the changes, and it is hoped that he will get down into Egypt in time to turn on the spring floods. At Cairo Mr. Emery will have complete charge of the office."

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The first number contains a valuable article on "College Journalism" by Martin Kellogg, President-elect. We extend to the new comer our heartiest good wishes.

The February number of the *Nassau Lit.* contains, among other good things, three excellent editorials on "College Verse," "The New Examination Rule," and "Atheltic Reform."

Magazine Notices.

THE *Review of Reviews* contains each month one complete and elaborate article on some topic of general interest. The matter in the remaining departments is condensed as much as possible, thus furnishing a great amount of information in small space. The leading feature this month is "American Politics": A Study of Four Careers (Blaine, Lamar, Hayes, and Butler,) by Harry Pratt Judson, Head Dean of the Chicago University. This study of the last twenty years of our political life is one of the ablest papers to be found in any of the March magazines. The companion pieces, "America in Hawaii," by Sereno Bishop, and "England in Egypt," by Mr. Stead, of the English *Review of Reviews*, are of special importance at this time. "A Royal Road to Learn Languages," also from the pen of Mr. Stead, gives the result of six months' instruction in French in his own family under the Gouin system.

Perhaps the most interesting feature

in the *Century* for March is "Napoleon's Deportation to Elba," by Captain Thomas Ussher, R. N., who was the officer in charge. Many details and incidents of the voyage are here related for the first time. The frontispiece of the magazine is an engraving from the bas-relief of Napoleon, by Boizot. "The Present State of Old Testament Criticism," by Edward Lewis Curtis, is an expert treatment of current questions, being especially interesting in connection with the recent heresy trials. There are three illustrated articles of interest to the general reader, besides several stories.

William S. Hall, adjunct Professor in Lafayette College, has just published a valuable work on "Mensuration." It is intended for those who have already acquired an elementary knowledge of Geometry and Trigonometry, therefore definitions and demonstrations have been omitted, but references are given for proof of the principles stated in the work.



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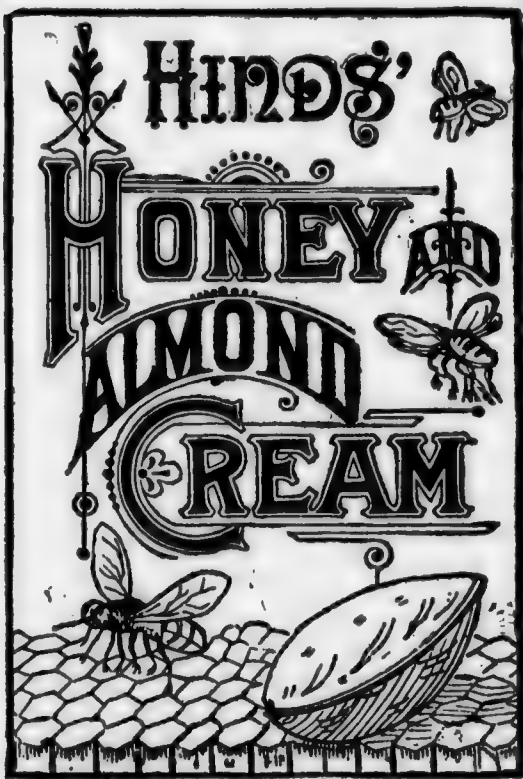
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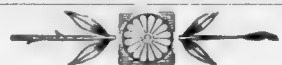
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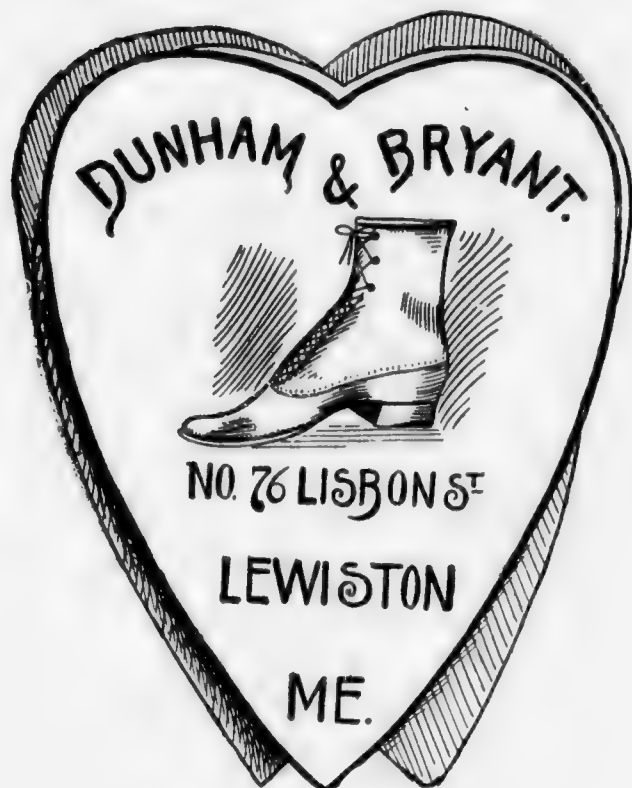
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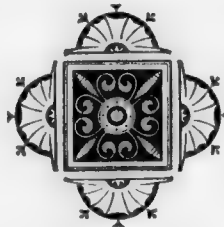
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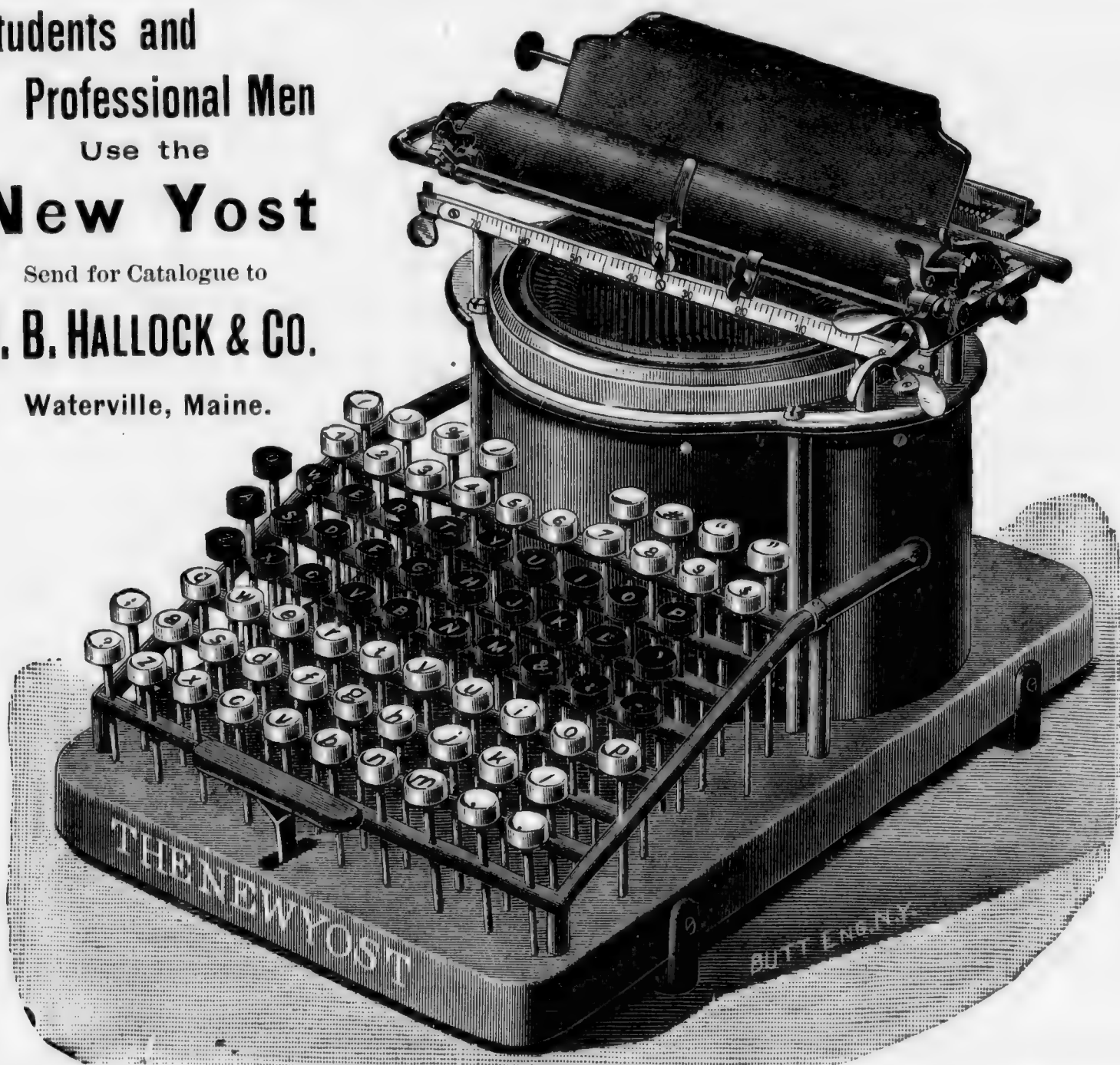
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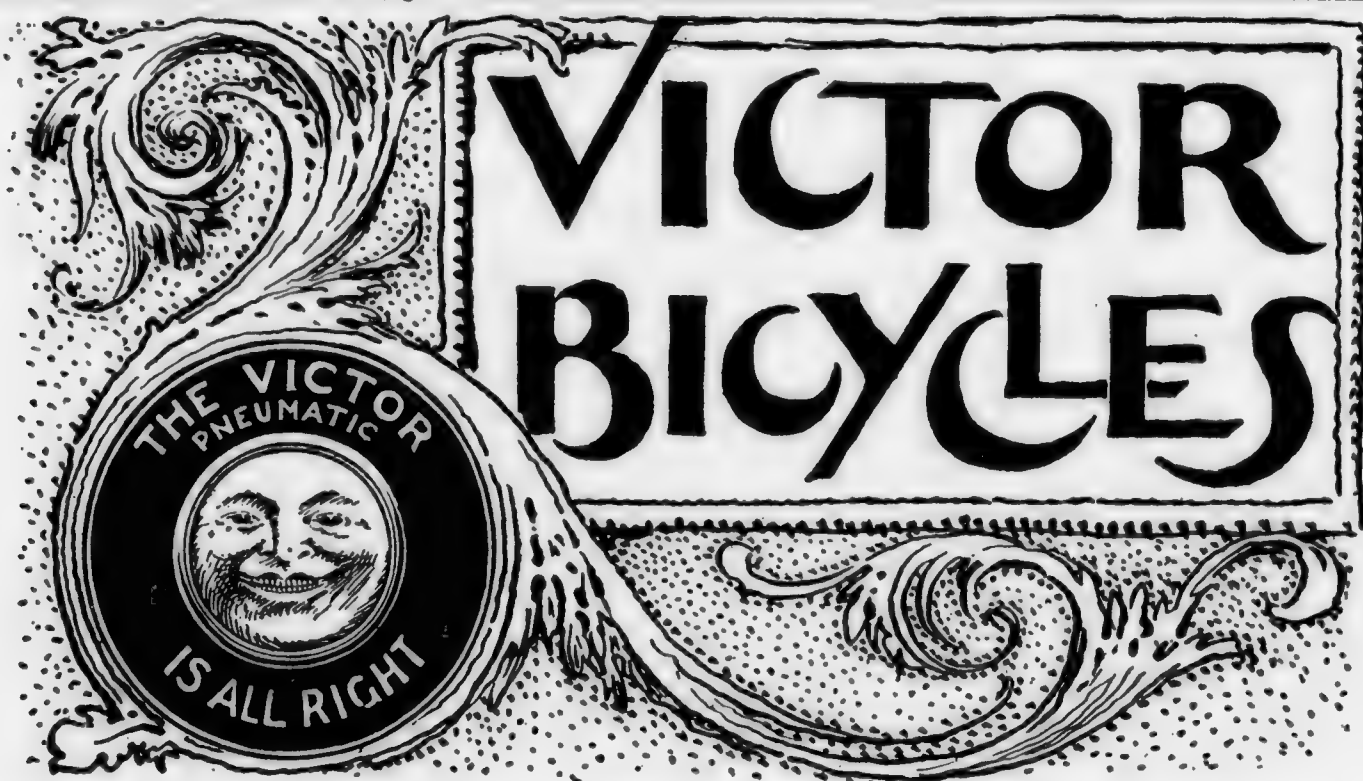
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Editorial.

WE ARE entering upon the busy
term of the year. A thousand
and one things within and without our
study demand attention. We must do
the regular routine work in class,
society, and literary paths. Nature
urgently invites us to a stroll for med-
itation and observation. The social
side of life would be unwisely neg-
lected. Preparation for Commence-

ment and Ivy exercises is inevitable.
Athletics, which during the winter were
neglected even beyond the permission
of health, must be given proper atten-
tion. But above all we must find time
to prove ourselves *Bates* men. The
intercollegiate contests of Maine occur
during this term and as loyal students
we must show a live and persevering
zeal in every turn of college life. We

must find moments for cheering the boys in their practice. We must keep on hand a supply of courage to inspire our representatives even in the face of defeat—whose cheek we must not kiss.

A magnificent tennis cup and a proud base-ball pennant it is our honor to defend. Whether successfully depends upon each individual student. Upon our hearty and unfailing support even more than upon the base-ball or tennis material depends the destination of the trophies of 1893. By the way, would it not be well for the students to get together a few times each week and practice the yell before business begins? Good leaders should be permanently chosen to see that the forces are properly drilled and marshalled. In this way the inspiration would be made more effective, and undesirable "yagging" could be more easily suppressed. Let every Bates man remember that he is in the fight.

SINCE the last issue of the *STUDENT* we have passed through the convulsions and upheavals of our various examinations, and with the exception of a few unfortunates are now rejoicing. Accordingly, at this time, the old question of the advisability of examinations naturally presents itself, and we find ourselves asking, "Does the examination serve its intended purpose? Does it indicate the quality of the students' work? Does it stimulate him to greater industry?"

That, as now conducted, it gives but little indication of the relative faithfulness and work of the individual, is

painfully evident. For the lazy and careless student is almost as likely to secure a high rank as he who has really mastered the subject. Is this the fault of the professor? No; he gives a fair examination, and ranks all with equal strictness. Is it the fault of the student? Not often. To be sure "cribbing" is sometimes practiced, but this alone will not explain the difficulty. Where, then, is the failing? It is in the system itself. For an exhaustive examination of a term's work in ten or twenty questions is impossible. A test can embrace at most only a few of the important principles. A few hours of solid study immediately before the examination, and the idlest student can pass with flying colors. But the finer points of the subject, the points that require the hardest labor and the greatest discrimination, these are wholly neglected. If such a system as this can give any true idea of the individual's work and ability, the writer fails to see it. Nor is its effect as a stimulant to greater industry any better. The ambitious man will strive to excel under any circumstances. The idler could not ask for a better method of avoiding work. It seems to us that if those students who should attain a certain rank in their daily recitations should be exempted from examinations, and those who should fall below such rank should be required to pass a thorough examination, the results would be far more satisfactory. There would then be an encouragement to better daily work, a standing threat against idleness, and less of this superficial "cramming" at the end of the term.

THAT the bill granting women the right of suffrage in municipal affairs should pass one house of the Maine Legislature and fail in the other only by a few votes was a surprise to its friends as well as to its opponents. It surely indicates that, unless all signs fail, this privilege will be granted to the women of Maine at no distant day. It is not our purpose to discuss the merits of the measure, or to indicate our predilection. But all will admit that this change is destined to come. In view of this, the attitude taken by the early friends of Bates, with reference to the higher education of women, seems to be vindicated and to have been prompted not only by feelings of justice but by prophetic foresight. If woman is to be allowed municipal suffrage, the public good demands that she exercise it understandingly; and the work of Bates College in the education of woman, and its uncompromising policy in offering her equal facilities with man has done much to produce a type of woman qualified to receive the ballot. Perhaps its influence has gone beyond its own walls, and through its example and the instrumentality of its alumnae it may have done much to improve the educational facilities for young women elsewhere.

IT IS a good indication of the progress of Bates that so many electives are being added to her course. This greatly increases the benefit to be derived from the latter part of the four years' work. While all realize the importance of buildings and their equipments to the success of Bates, first of

all she needs just that course of study which will bring the greatest possible benefit to her students, and this course must vary in many details for different students.

To be sure there are some studies of such importance that they should be pursued by all, but in many cases where one student would derive great benefit others would not be helped at all. A judicious choice of elective work on the part of the student helps him also to outline his purposes in life more definitely. However, we are glad that Bates does not seem to be falling into the error so common among small colleges, of having more studies in the curriculum than can be handled properly by the number of professors they have. Let us rather have few studies thoroughly mastered than many studies, if some of them have to be passed over in a careless and unsatisfactory manner.

PERHAPS no other college in the United States sends out so large a per cent of its graduates as teachers as Bates College. Perhaps nowhere else is the custom so prevalent among needy students of teaching a part of the time during their college course. Thus Bates, through her representatives, comes into direct contact with a large number of people at that age when they are most easily influenced.

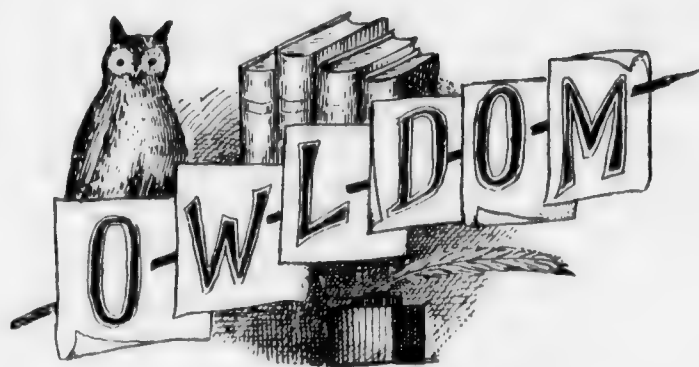
It is possible for these teachers to create in their pupils high ideals and noble purposes. It is possible, by a few words of timely advice, to point out the advantages of a liberal education. He who persuades one worthy young man to take a college course

confers a benefit, not only upon that man, but upon the world. While it should be the first aim of the teacher to inspire his pupils with a love of knowledge and a purpose to obtain it, he can legitimately point out the advantages of Bates, to needy students especially. Why should teachers do this? First, because it helps the college, and second, because it is for their personal interest to do so.

The chief strength of any college is in the number, character, and goodwill of its alumni. The more students a college has the more alumni will it have. While students of a questionable character are an injury to any institution, one of our professors claims that every good one is worth \$5,000 to the college. According to this statement, if each one now in college could, during his course, bring one student here, they would do more for Bates than the men who founded it.

Again, it is for the advantage of our teachers to send students here because every advance made by the college gives an added value to its diplomas, gives a higher position to its graduates.

The number of "cuts" per year to which a student is entitled at some of the leading colleges is as follows: Yale, 24 to Seniors and Juniors, to Sophomores and Freshmen, 18; Williams, 30; Dartmouth, 21. At Amherst and Wesleyan, a student must be present at nine-tenths of the recitations, while at Harvard, Ann Arbor, Cornell, and Johns Hopkins, the attendance is optional.



THE close of last term ended the social season of 1892-93 at Bates. For the Owl this brilliant period of social enjoyment and development opened with a "taffy-pull" at the home of our boarding mistress and ended with a "feed" at Sam Hibbert's. The former was very enjoyable. It was co-educational. The latter was not co-educational, but was nevertheless enjoyable. It filled a "long-felt want." The intervening months between these two events we guess must have been lent—mostly to study. Any way, social communion was practically forbidden. That of the first sort, by lack of opportunity; that of the second sort, by impending bankruptcy, or a metallic drouth, as you choose. We had rather expected a conversational spell in the "gym" before the end of the term, but it did not come, or rather it was not a "go."

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THE Owl has long been considered a bird of superior wisdom, but we never fully realized the cost of greatness till we came before the public as a candidate for journalistic honors. Immediately men, women, and children beset us with difficult questions and hard sayings. Institutions of learning from the "deestric skule over to Punkin Holler," to great universities,

sought our services. Needing funds to carry on our great journalistic enterprise, we accepted the following offer:

D— March 23. 93

MR OWL

sir would you like to teach our schooll the comen winter if you would i should like to ingage you As you teached here last and the district was well pleased with the schooll

yours recepteful

D— F A—

In view of the flattering deference paid to our supposed wisdom, we had never considered the possibility of an examination. But the officials had decided that THEIR school demanded a teacher of education, experience, and ability. They had heard only good reports of us, yet they could not think of risking the "children's money" by employing even a college student without first examining him for themselves.

For two days, from 9 A.M. till dark, we answered list after list of questions, covering the subjects usually taught in high schools and academies. At last the examination came to an end and the coveted certificate was ours.

School opened under favorable circumstances. Wishing to get some idea of the scholars' proficiency, we proceeded as follows: "Where is Boston?" Answer. "In California." "For what is Utah noted?" "As the home of the Last Year Saints." This last answer was questioned by one especially brilliant pupil who said it was the home of the All Day Saints. (We began to fear we should need to become an All Day Saint to enjoy that school, but said nothing.) "How many pecks in a bushel?" we asked of a lusty young

farmer of twenty-one. "Sixty-three," was the unhesitating answer. "To what race do you belong?" "Don't know." "Do you belong to the African race?" "Don't know."

Another young man of seventeen tried to convince us that four oranges at three cents each would cost fourteen cents, while still another, equally brilliant, missed seventeen of the twenty words in his spelling lesson, after a whole afternoon's study. We next asked another of the larger boys to read the following verses from the Testament: "Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it forth; and it was restored whole, like as the other." The following was the startling response: "Then saith he to the man, Scorch forth thine hand. And he scorched it forth and it was roasted whole, like as the other."

Truly, not only the whole world but every age is akin, for these young Americans much resembled Solomon inasmuch as they found study a weariness to the flesh.

The above is an exact copy of a letter lately received and now in the possession of a Bates student. Each of the questions and answers is genuine and literal. Unthinking persons regard college students who teach winters as gay and careless, having no higher purpose than to start a flirtation with some country belle. The hard work is unappreciated by them. The anxiety, the disappointments, the failure to create that enthusiasm in the school, so necessary to success, are all carefully concealed by the teacher. Thoughtless persons see only the pleasant side.

Let who will prate about the lazy life of the district school teacher, the Owl prefers his old, accustomed perch in Parker Hall.

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THE Owl often smiles. But he invariably does a real broad grin when at the close of each term he sees one dignified upperclassman or another don his tall silk hat and start woodwards for his native vill. "How neighbor Zebadiah and old Uncle Hezekiah will stare to see farmer Hankerson's young son coming home and promenading the cow lane in a brand-span huckleberry black silk hat fourteen inches high and eight inches across the top!" he probably thinks to himself. "By humscum, that there Bates College must be a great place for these young sprouts," he imagines a neighbor saying, "Only a few years ago and that there gentleman was no more than the rest of us. Right here digging potatoes barefooted with his overalls held up by a shingle nail." "Then there is Reub Sargeant's pretty daughter and the other neighborhood belles. They are sure to be smitten. They are not used to such a rig as this." Yes, they probably will be smitten—with laughter, for what more simple than a tall silk hat towering above a puerile face, or resting upon a low and sloping forehead. Let neither majority nor seniority persuade you of growing dignity. Strut about the city in a tall hat once in a while if you wish to. We are used to it and do not mind. But *don't* start out on a conquest of the North Pole, or if you do, please remove the garnet flyer from your vest and that

copy of the last STUDENT from your overcoat pocket.

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WHAT the Owl Saw on Skates," or "An Episode of the Frog Pond Freeze-over," is the title of a book soon to be issued. This is not to be construed merely as what the Owl on skates saw, but rather as what the Owl on skates saw on skates. This may seem like a see-saw, but it is only what he saw—See? Rather hazy, eh?

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THE Owl was disappointed not to hear Dr. Trueblood speak upon the "Military Condition of Europe." Two causes prevented. In the first place the lecture came together with the other public exercises of the term during test week. In the next place we were diverted from our "plugging for tests" that very afternoon to attend the mid-winter meet of the Cynescans in the Gym. The young ladies did very creditable work. No records were broken, most of the time being devoted to work of a light and calisthenic nature, some of it even suggestive of the terpsichorean art. We would enjoy making particular mention of the individual work, but you know we were not supposed to be there, and it would hardly be gallant to take further advantage of our Owlish privileges. However, the cake and chocolate served by the Cynescans to their lady friends were much enjoyed by all—except the Owl.

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THE principle of co-education is as dear to the heart of the Owl as is that other principle of woman's suffrage, yet in its practical workings

there are many interesting and highly amusing incidents. For example, each entering class gives blossom to a few "buds of innocence" of the "Oh dear! how nice I am" kind on the one hand, while to match her comes the frank, open-hearted boy who has never deigned to dispute his mother's assurance that he is the handsomest and brightest of all darlings. The two soon meet. On the campus, in the recitation room, the society hall—yea in chapel devotion itself the lines of parallelism begin to manifest themselves. The angelic maiden, whom his native hamlet failed to produce, has appeared to him—as if guided by Providence—right here in his own college class. All is divinely pleasant. In the study the thought of her is an inspiration. In recitation her inspiring presence is an assured ninety-nine and nine-tenths even for an uncertain preparation. The first term of college life passes like a dream.

But now come six weeks of cold, frosty, old-time winter vacation days. They must be separated. She can never forget his charms! But oh! she contemplates a visit to the Hub. Can this be hazarded? What if some ill-omened nymph, inspired of Satan, during the hours of wonted repose such baneful words should speak: "Oh maiden of a thousand charms; oh damsel lithe in figure and bewitching in glance; oh heroine of a thousand unfavored proposals, listen to these words of man-mellowing Venus: 'On

the morrow, in this mighty metropolis of the land of yesterday's Puritan, you will meet amid the glare and brilliancy of the gaudy hop, a youth. Behold! he is thy appointed Adam! To whom thou first shall be presented to him reveal this message of love and future happiness. His letters in the remaining years of thy study shall lighten thy burdens and inspire thy talents. Look not upon that other youth who deigned think himself thy equal.' "

Stern reality of a hardened heart, cold despondency of a blighted hope! Yesterday my charms were her admiration, and her love was my inspiration. To-day I am a victim of blighted aspiration, of unfulfilled expectation, for "she never speaks as she passes by." Oh time, thou faithless servant! Oh woman, thou heartless serpent.

The University of Michigan has almost twice as many living alumni as any other American educational institution. Harvard is second and Yale third.

Less than one per cent. of the voters of the United States are college graduates, yet they hold over fifty per cent. of the highest offices.

It is a fact worthy of notice that the best entrance examinations to Chicago University were passed by a young colored lady.

Literary.

SIR GIBBIE.

BY GRACE P. CONANT, '93.

THE ethical novels of George MacDonald make the delineation of Scotch life complete. Scott introduces us to the heroic in national types, Burns acquaints us with the home-life of the peasant, amid its simple surroundings, while MacDonald, ushering us into a realm of which the others give, at most, only glimpses, reveals to us the Scotch mind in its deeper religious emotions.

Sir Gibbie is no exception to other works of this popular novelist. It portrays the simple, trusting faith of the humble Scotch peasant, hints at subtle influences of by-gone superstitions, and shows some of the corrupting influences that are creeping into modern "theology." The portrayal of the life of Gibbie presents a psychological study of the development of a pure, innocent, child-mind, untaught in good, untainted with evil, untrammelled by restraint, as, coming to a knowledge of divine things, it slowly grows and expands until, at last, it unfolds into wonderful beauty and perfection.

The one great purpose of the novel is to show that sincerity of life, thought, and action is the only criterion by which the world should estimate true worth, and that religion itself is nothing that can be assumed, for it must come from the heart. Time and place chosen are peculiarly suited to its development. Plot, incidents, and

strongly contrasted characters unite in impressing its truth, showing how many a poverty-crushed wretch, whom the world ignores or despises, is less contemptible in the eyes of the great Judge of all, than the "rich deceiver," whom the world lauds and honors, but whose soul is absorbed in self and dwarfed by insincerity.

We are made to feel that more true religion is hidden beneath the ragged coat of a "wee Sir Gibbie," in the heart that has the very essence of Christianity itself,—love to God and man,—than under the clerical garb of the parish preacher, whose religion is his "profession," and whose life in its shallowness and insincerity never grasps the deeper meaning of the truths he tries to teach; greater worth is buried in the knowledge-hungry soul of a Donal Grant, a poetry-breathing herdsman, tending the sheep on the lonely hill-side, than in the satisfied breast of a Fergus Duff, a "pyrotechnist of human logic," an ecclesiast whose highest ambition is *seeming*, and whose soul thirsts, not after righteousness, but for eloquence; more real nobility is found in the humble cotter and his wife, poor in this world's goods and this world's knowledge, but rich in simple faith, "loving kindness, and homely plenty," than in the selfishly proud laird of Glashruach, bartering his very soul for flattering approval.

A great charm of the book lies in these finely-developed character sketches. They are exaggerations, it

is true, and sometimes make their subjects act rather to meet the needs of the author's purpose than according to the laws of nature, yet they are alive, are distinct, and delineate with wonderful clearness some striking characteristics in human nature.

The plot of the story is simple. The suspense is good but less sustained than in most of MacDonald's works. The great improbability of the novel, as well as the occasional lack of proportion in some of its parts, detract somewhat from its highest artistic effect. The character of Donal Grant, finely conceived as it is in the novel which bears his name, is not in this novel wholly complete and satisfactory. The ending of the book itself does not fully sustain what goes before it, yet, notwithstanding these few defects, Sir Gibbie does not lack strength. At every turn some precious gem of thought or experience gleams forth. Real dramatic touches appear in the vivid description of the flood, and in the account of the death of Sambo. The few traces of sarcasm are forcible, and the pathos, that plays so important a part throughout, is touching and beautiful.

The descriptions of nature, too, can hardly be surpassed. In them, as in his portrayals of character, MacDonald is interpretative. He acquaints us with his characters by revealing to us the purposes and motives that prompt their words and actions, by giving us glimpses of the main-springs of thought and sentiment that move their lives. He acquaints us with Nature by revealing to us the impressions and the

feelings which she produces. Every trembling flower, ever bubbling brook, every fleecy cloud, every rugged height, breathes into his sympathetic soul a new inspiration and reveals to him a new token of the Infinite.

In its plot and in the cast of its characters, Sir Gibbie is not unlike many of George MacDonald's other works. An ideal youth, a staunch true-hearted Christian, a beautiful maiden, a bearer of a half-recognized title, and a cruel, money-grasping oppressor are some of the essential characters in most of his writings.

Gibbie, caring for his father, Sir George, the drink-wasted remnant of a baron, and befriending the homeless and forlorn, is but another Robert Falconer, sheltering a Shasgar and searching to recover a degraded father; or a Cosmo o' Glenwarlock devotedly spending his every thought for the comfort of a parent, and the help of the poverty-pinched cottagers. He is but a type of an Alister Macruadh, a landless chief, guiding and guarding the interests of his poor and dependent clan; or even a Margaret Elginbrod, a beautiful maiden, sweetly protecting a Euphrasia from the treacherous hands of a Count Halkar. Joan, in all the simplicity of her trust, in the richness of her faith, in the sincerity and staunch integrity of her life, is but a representative of the class of peasants who may well be called "the glory and strength of Scotland," and of whom MacDonald is so fond of writing.

The author shows in this work, also, his strong conviction that in the depths

of every human soul there lies buried a germ of something noble and true, a spark of the divine, that a breath of human love may yet stir into life. Sir George, the wretch whom drink had nearly consumed, body and soul, never loses, even in his worst condition, his inborn sense of honesty, for about the poor remnants of the man to whom there once had come noble dreams, the author tells us, "the stuff of which such dreams are made, still fluttered in parti-colored rags," and he adds with beautiful touch, "color is color even on a scarecrow." Mistress Croale, keeping her "decent" saloon, still cherishes a vague sense of obligation to "live up to the respectability of her ancestors," sells no liquor on the Sabbath, and always "mothers the poor bairns who *will* have drink."

In every particular MacDonald has woven into this work his own strong personality. His profound hatred of cant and insincerity, his large faith in the possibility of humanity, his broad love and sympathy for those whom misfortune has caused the world to despise, his high appreciation of the nobleness of life, all deeply influence and impress the reader. Sir Gibbie, in its mastery of thought and feeling, in its lofty conception of ideals, in its power to touch the deeper chords of the human heart, is a novel that is as inspiring as it is beautiful. It appeals to the truest and best in the thoughtful mind of to-day.

With the exceptions of Harvard and Yale, Dartmouth has the largest endowment of any college in New England.

THE MAINE COAST.

BY FANNIE A. WHEELER.

OF ALL the celebrated coast scenery in the world, none, in bold and rugged beauty, surpasses that of Maine. Broken by innumerable bays and harbors, dotted with countless islands, it presents between two and three thousand miles of varied and romantic scenery that one might travel far and still find unequaled.

A little while ago all this wealth of beauty was scarcely known; but now that it has been recognized it is rapidly growing in favor, and every summer finds our coast thronged with visitors from all points of the compass.

In Mount Desert, which but a few years ago was generally thought of as in truth a desert, we have one of the most popular summer resorts in the country. And well does it deserve this popularity. An island containing about one hundred square miles, it combines the distinctive attractions of sea-shore and inland. Its thirteen mountain peaks, broken and irregular, are scarcely more impressive than its charming valleys, its wild mountain passes and gorges, and its beautiful fresh-water lakes, all within sound of the murmuring sea.

But to recount all the beauties of the Maine coast would be well-nigh impossible. We can notice only a few of the most interesting.

We have already mentioned the wonderfully varied scenery of Mount Desert. Portland, although in every way unlike this gem of islands, has a beautiful situation, and a harbor unsurpassed by any on the Atlantic

coast. Indeed, it is stated that Maine furnishes more good harbors than are to be found from Chesapeake Bay to the Rio Grande.

But the coast of Maine is interesting for its associations as well as for its beauty. About fifty miles in a direct line from Portland, is Pemaquid, formerly the home of the Indian chief Samoset, who welcomed the Pilgrims at Plymouth in 1620. Opposite Pemaquid is Monhegan, a low, flat island of considerable size. Here in 1614, Capt. John Smith landed. On this island is what is sometimes taken for a Runic inscription in the rock. But it is to be doubted if the Norsemen ever left any memorial here. Between Pemaquid and Monhegan occurred in 1813 the fight between the *Enterprise* and the *Boxer*, which resulted, after a severe conflict, in the *Boxer* becoming a prize to the United States.

A few miles farther north, at the entrance to Penobscot Bay, is Rockland, chiefly noted for the lime burned there and exported in immense quantities. Northeast of Rockland and across the bay, we come to Castine, named for the Baron Castine who came here from his home at the foot of the Pyrenees and gained considerable power, having married the daughter of the savage chief Madackawando. It is the same Baron Castine whom Longfellow has celebrated in verse. This is an interesting town, beautifully situated on the southern slope of a hill on whose summit the old earth-works stand out prominently.

These are but a few of the many interesting places on the Maine coast.

It would scarcely be possible to find a spot along our entire sea front which would not be more or less attractive from one cause or another.

On the coast of Maine are fifty or more light-houses, not to speak of the fog-whistles and numerous bell-buoys. Among these, one of the most important is Portland Head-Light. Built on a massive ledge, it lights at night the dangerous entrance to the harbor and defies the wind and the waves, which sometimes dash far over the rocks.

"The rocky ledge runs far into the sea,
And on its outer point, some miles away,
The Light-house lifts its massive masonry,
A pillar of fire by night, of cloud by day."

Another important light is that on Half-way Rock. This is a single rock rising from the water, and affording scarcely more room than is taken by the light-house.

Mount Desert Rock resembles Half-way Rock in lying out in the ocean alone, and in having no room to spare. Whittier thus speaks of it:

"And Desert Rock, abrupt and bare,
Lifts its gray turret in the air—
Seen from afar like some stronghold,
Built by the ocean kings of old."

We hear much of the scenery in foreign lands; of the Isle of Wight, of the Mediterranean coast, and of many other remarkable places. But it has been said, and truly, that we have almost within sight of our doors every variety of mountain and coast scenery; most of it equal, if not superior, to that of foreign countries. Why, then, should we go so far in quest of ocean scenery, when we have close at hand what the whole world might well envy.

Poets' Corner.

MARCH AND APRIL.

One, passing through the land with sword and
spear,
Laid waste the earth, and blight and ruin left
Behind him as he went; but softly came
The other, clothed in silver robes that shed
A balm upon the air like incense sweet;
And as she marked the ruin he had made,
From her soft eyes there fell a shower of tears,
That healed the bruised and aching heart of
earth;
Then lo, she smiled, and earth's scarred face
was veiled
With the warm sudden glory of the flowers!

—M. S. M., '91.

CUPID ASLEEP.

As in all ages bards have sung
Their tenderest songs in love's sweet
praises,
Perhaps you will not think it wrong
If on this scene I gaze too long,
Where Cupid sleeps among the daisies:

One little hand above his heart—
His eyes close shut in peaceful slumber;
Beneath him lies his unstrung bow,
Whose dart has oft caused tears to flow,
Has broken gay hearts without number.

Ah, Cupid, some may feel thy sting
And never from the wound recover;
Yet sweetest dreams are still of thee,
And in those dreams, bright joys we see,
That ever round thee seem to hover.

So on thy sacred shrine I place
This humble offering of verses;
Here's to true love that never dies,
But purer, nobler, yet shall rise
Through all life's blessings or life's curses.

And now may zephyrs softly breathe,
Sweet Cupid, here where thou art sleeping.
I will not wake thee from thy rest,
Calm sleep for thee perhaps is best,
With flowers their silent vigils keeping.

—L. D. T., '96.

AT SUNSET.

The brooding hour of twilight,
And the sunset color's gleam,
Through the far-arching elm boughs,
Make a quiet, peaceful scene.

Looking through the lofty elm boughs,
Outlined against the blue,
A longing thought comes o'er me
Of a song so earnest and true.

A thought of the beautiful sunset light
With its crimson, purple, and gold,
And of a song I fain would write,
In which these colors should be told.

The gold, the sincere, noble thought,
Unprejudiced, broad and free;
The crimson, purple, changing shades
The fitting imagery should be.

—N. G. W., '95.

HER TRIUMPH.

The Freshman gazed in the mirror bright,
And gayly she did sing,
"That Senior girl would tear her hair
If she knew I wore his ring."

—J. B. H., '94.

YEARNING FOR KNOWLEDGE.

I stood on the shore at midnight,
Where the land and the waters meet;
And the wild Sea moaned before me,
With deep sighs kissed my feet.

I spoke to the throbbing ocean
As it tossed its white arms in air,
Tell me, oh restless Ocean!
What secrets dost thou bear?

Teach me the infinite wisdom
Of the life that is yet to be,
Teach me the purpose of living,
And what death holds in store for me.

And a strange voice made me answer,
While my whole frame shook with fear;
From the caverns dim and ghastly,
Came the answer deep and clear.

"Since the fiat of Jehovah
Fell on Eden till to-day,
Man has sought to learn the secrets,
Hid by God from him away.

"Since thy parents seized the fruitage
Of the garden of the gods,
Angel sentries bar forever
The approach of mortal clods.

"For thy God has bid thee labor,
Eat thy bread with sweat and tears,

Serve the end of thy creation
Till the crowning of the years.

"When broken lies life's golden bowl,
And loosed is its silver cord,
And all thy trials and triumphs fly
At the presence of the Lord,

"Then thy soul shall cease its yearning,
God shall grant thy earnest prayer,
Lead thee to the tree of knowledge,
Bid thee all its fruitage share."

—'94.

College News and Interests.

"WISE AND OTHERWISE."

A recent article in the *Boston Sunday Globe* excited considerable comment about the college. The following communication, taken from a later issue of the same paper, is self-explanatory:

A COLLEGE NEED.

"In the *Globe* of March 19, I read an article concerning the wearing of caps and gowns for commencement. It was evidently written by some indiscreet junior. I hasten to reply to this article.

"First, I will ask the writer to remember that he does not stand as a type of the body of Bates students; on the contrary, that many of the students are indignant at the article he wrote.

"The students in a body do not condemn the action of the faculty concerning the wearing of caps and gowns.

"A large portion of the students approve of this same action. The writer said that what Bates College needed was a young man at its head in touch with modern ideas. General indignation is felt at this statement. I would ask him if the wearing of the hideous gowns he approves of is a modern idea.

"What Bates College needs, are students of common sense who know

enough to heed the 'counsels of the wise.'"

AN UNDERGRADUATE.

Bates College, Lewiston.

As the above directly implicates a single class of the institution, the writer has found it proper to investigate in regard to the writer, and can state positively that its author is not connected with the college, and we deem it a privilege to vindicate the student body.

By the way, one man is uncharitable enough to inquire how many years ago "Undergraduate" (?) received his diploma.

LOCALS.

OUT AT FIRST.

To get high rank he does not care.
He says that prizes are a snare.
At all things social he is lame.
To play base-ball his only aim.
He can not field, he can not bat,
We'd like to know where he is at!

Rather muddy!

The summer term! Last but not least of the year.

Nearly all of the Juniors have elected

the work in Advanced Physics under Prof. Hartshorn.

H. L. Knox, '95, who was absent last term teaching, has rejoined his class.

Is your racquet in good condition? Remember that Bates has a record to maintain in intercollegiate tennis.

We are glad to welcome back to college E. G. Campbell, '95. We hope his health will permit him to elect base-ball.

H. H. Field, ex-'94, visited his brother, D. F. Field, at the college last week. Mr. Field is engaged in the banking business at Phillips.

Robert S. Baker, ex-'93, spent a few days in town last week, and called at the college several times. While here he was the guest of W. B. Skelton, '92.

We are pleased to learn that Miss Gracia Prescott, '96, has very nearly recovered from her long and serious illness. She will rejoin her class very soon.

Some of the tennis courts will soon be ready for business. Bates has some good players left yet, and the interest in this game promises to be good this season.

Arrangements are being made with G. W. Simmons & Co., of Boston, to furnish the caps and gowns to be worn by the Junior class at their coming Ivy Day exercises.

First day in Zoology class. The professor exhibits a specimen of animal life preserved in alcohol for several years. Inquisitive Junior: "Is it alive?"

And it is now that the Senior loafs half the time and wonders what studies he ought to elect in order to get the biggest snap out of the other half. Oh to be there!

Any one wishing extra copies of the March number of the *STUDENT* containing Prof. Chase's article on the "First Graduates of Bates," can obtain them of D. F. Field at the bookstore.

ALAS! 'TIS USELESS.

Psychology, Geology,
The Calculus, or Bain's,
Won't make the Senior's whiskers grow,
Or give the Sophie brains.

Wednesday evening, March 29th, Dr. Trueblood, of Boston, lectured in the chapel on the "Military Strength of Europe." Those who attended report a very able and interesting discourse.

Capt. Hoffman, of the ball team, had a narrow escape from serious injuries during vacation week. He was thrown by a vicious horse and was quite badly lamed, but is fast recovering from the effects of the accident. A more serious injury would have been fatal to the interests of our ball team.

The diamond will soon be in the best of condition. The boys are getting in some good practice every day, and as things look now will be able to put up excellent ball when the season opens. There is talk about a game with Tufts later on. And several games are expected with local and other teams to put the boys in practice before the games begin.

Miss Lucy Little, youngest sister of Miss Charlotte B. Little, '93, died at

the home of the family on College Street, Monday morning, April 3d, after a long illness from scarlet and typhoid fevers. The deceased young lady was a general favorite among her friends and schoolmates, and the sad event cast a gloom over the entire community. The deepest sympathy is felt for the bereaved family.

The Junior's Soliloquy: Part I.—“I've got to take Chemistry anyhow. So that's settled.” Part II.—“I shall take the work in Physics because there will be no test. That's settled, too.” Part III.—“Ay, there's the rub.” Shall I take German, and with coach and span ride lazily over the smooth paved courses of the Jungfrau? Or shall it be Zoology? Then I'll active be and with canvas bag and lantern dark—wander at night o'er Baby Patch, capture the lurking cat, and hie me home to my secret chamber, there, when chloroform has done its deadly work, to carve her feline form in the interests of Science. Which shall it be? The rub, indeed? Which shall it be?

It is now fully settled that the leading attraction of the Commencement Concert this year will be Cyril Tyler, the famous boy soprano. All music-loving people in Lewiston and Auburn cannot fail to be delighted with the prospect of hearing him. Another feature will be the famous Temple Quartette of Boston. This quartette has lately been thoroughly reorganized and is meeting with great success wherever it appears. The violinist and reader have not as yet been decided upon, but taken altogether this

concert cannot fail of being one of the most excellent Commencement Concerts ever given in Maine.

The annual Senior Exhibition took place at the Main Street Free Baptist Church, Friday evening, March 31st. Committee of Arrangements: Alma G. Bailey, M. Josephine Hodgdon, George M. Chase. Music by Payne's Orchestra. The following was the programme:

MUSIC.—PRAYER.—MUSIC.

Moral Gravitation. Dorance B. Lothrop.
The Effects of Prejudice. Annie L. Bean.
The Learner. George M. Chase.
The Englishman and the American.

* Charlotte B. Little.

MUSIC.

Spartan Ideals in Modern History. Jed F. Fanning.
Extinguished Lights. * Clara G. Callahan.
Retribution. Alma G. Bailey.
Some Methods of Human Progress. Nathaniel C. Bruce.

MUSIC.

The Life-Giving Power of Faith. M. Josephine Hodgdon.
The Dark Ages and Their Influence. * Arthur C. Yeaton.
Our National Outlook as Forecast by Experience.

Edgar L. Pennell.

“To thine own self be true.”

James B. McFadden.

MUSIC.

* Excused.

A meeting of the managers of the Maine Intercollegiate League was held at Hotel Atwood, Saturday afternoon, April 18th. M. S. Clifford represented Bowdoin; H. T. Jordan, Colby; A. D. Hayes, Maine State; and W. C. Marden, Bates. The principal discussion of the afternoon was relative to the admission of Maine State College into the League. Mr. Marden, acting upon the general sentiment of the boys at

Bates, advocated the admission of that team. Mr. Clifford opposed the measure, while the Colby representative was practically on the fence. Mr. Clifford finally agreed to admit Maine State College on the condition that he should be supported by the Bowdoin association. It was voted to adopt the National League rules. Kelley, of Lewiston, was made official umpire for all games in Lewiston, Waterville, and Brunswick. The following officers were elected: W. C. Marden, President; H. T. Jordan, Secretary; M. S. Clifford, Treasurer. The following schedule was prepared:

April 29—Bowdoin vs. Bates, Lewiston;
Colby vs. M. S. C., Waterville.

May 3—Bowdoin vs. Colby, Brunswick; M.
S. C. vs. Bates, Lewiston.

May 6—Bowdoin vs. M. S. C., Brunswick;
Bates vs. Colby, Waterville.

May 10—Bowdoin vs. Bates, Brunswick;
M. S. C. vs. Colby, Bangor.

May 13—Colby vs. Bates, Lewiston.

May 17—Bowdoin vs. Colby, Waterville.

May 18—Bowdoin vs. M. S. C., Bangor.

May 23—Bates vs. Bowdoin, Waterville.

May 24—Bates vs. M. S. C., Bangor.

May 27—Bowdoin vs. Colby, Lewiston.

May 31—Colby vs. M. S. C., Waterville.

June 3—Bowdoin vs. M. S. C., Waterville.

June 7—Bates vs. Colby, Brunswick.

June 10—Bates vs. M. S. C., Waterville.

The prize declamations of the Sophomore class which occurred during the latter part of last term were very excellent, in general. The prize division declaimed in the College Chapel, Thursday evening, March 30th. Music by Callahan's Orchestra. The following programme was carried out:

MUSIC.—PRAYER.—MUSIC.

Selection.—Longfellow. Ethel E. Williams.
The Legend of the Androscoggin.—M.

S. Merrill, '91.

Lotta E. Neal.

Extract.—Clay.

Nathan Smith.

King Robert of Sicily.—Longfellow.

Emily B. Cornish.

MUSIC.

The First Settler's Story.—Carleton.

Ray Summerbell.

McDonald's Charge at Wagram.—Headley.

Fred A. Knapp.

Back from the War.—Talmage.

Ralph E. Files.

Death-Bed of Benedict Arnold.—Lippard.

Frank T. Wingate.

MUSIC.

The Voiceless Chimes.—Fox.

Helen M. Willard.

The Black Horse and His Rider.—Shepherd.

W. S. C. Russell.

The High Tide.—Ingelow. Alice W. Collins.

Napoleon and Washington.—Headley.

Frank R. Springer.

MUSIC.

AWARD OF PRIZES.

Committee of Award: N. W. Harris, Esq., Rev. T. H. Stacy, F. L. Noble, Esq. Committee of Arrangements: N. R. Smith, F. R. Springer, Alice W. Collins. The prize for ladies was awarded Miss Emily B. Cornish. Mr. Russell received the gentlemen's prize.

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Rev. C. F. Penney, D.D., will deliver the address before the alumni of this school at their annual meeting in connection with the graduating exercises in June.

Rev. C. E. Mason, '85, Bates, '82, gave a very practical and suggestive talk in the chapel recently on "The Minister's Obligations Outside of the Pulpit."

Rev. S. D. Church, who received the honorary degree of A.M. from Bates College in 1871, gave his lecture on "The Bible an Exotic" in the chapel,

March 24th. The lecture was a literary production of great merit.

L. S. Williams, '93, has received and accepted a call to the Free Baptist church in Clinton, Me. He will supply the pulpit fortnightly until August 1st, and then will begin his regular work there.

Two articles from the pen of Professor Anthony, of especial interest and value to Bible students, have appeared recently in the magazines. "The Fourth Gospel" in the *Biblical World* for March, and "The Gospel of Peter" in the *Homiletic Review* for April. To the latter article the New York *Observer* calls attention, considering it a substantial contribution to the theological literature of the time.

After hearing from the banker and the doctor we were all glad to listen to the lawyer. W. H. Judkins, Bates, '80, in a scholarly way spoke on "The Value of the Study of Law," before the students, Friday, March 17th. His point touching the use of original sources in the investigation of truth was especially well taken and instructive.

Rev. John Clifford, D.D., of London, now that Spurgeon is dead, is probably the foremost Baptist preacher of England. His character and work are well described in the *Review of the Churches* for March. To the Bates man the most interesting clause of the article is the following: "The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred upon him (Mr. Clifford) by Bates University in America."

The friends of Professor Rich will welcome his new volume, issued in

March, entitled "Quaternio," being "An Interpretation of Four Regal Psalms." It is a metrical version of Psalms 2, 110, 45, and 72, with introductions and notes. The book has already received favorable notice. Hon. Nelson Dingley, on the eve of his departure for Europe, briefly reviewed it in the *Lewiston Journal*. Among other things Mr. Dingley said: "In these four psalms is a graphic and poetic view of the Messiah as interpreted in the most intelligent and advanced period of Hebrew national life. The task of Professor Rich was to reproduce, so far as possible in the simple and rhythmic speech of the Authorized Version, the poetic idea as well as the poetic form of the original. The Professor, it seems to us, has done a service to Bible readers as well as to Bible students in bringing to the front the fine literary charm as well as the fervid religious spirit of the master minds of Hebrew poetry."

Sixty thousand students this year enjoyed the benefits of University Extension lectures given by Oxford professors. Four thousand of them were artisans.

HER POSTSCRIPT.

A Postscript she wrote
At the end of her letter.
'Twas but a short note,—
A postscript she wrote,
On her postscripts I dote,
(Ten pages or better!)

A postscript she wrote
At the end of her letter.

—U. of P. Courier,

Alumni Department.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO COLLEGE; SHOULD THEY BE MODIFIED?

THIS is a period of transition. This is no less true in educational methods than in politics, industrial arts, and religious creeds. The long established is asked to prove its right to remain established or give place to new foundations.

At a recent meeting of the voters of a New England town a radical educational measure was under discussion. An orator from the backwoods, in opposing the measure, exclaimed with impassioned eloquence, "Gentlemen, evolution is better than revolution." Despite this epigram of the disciple of Darwin, the revolutionists carried the day.

During the past few years the educational revolutionist has been extremely busy. He first attacked the primary school. The A, B, C method yielded to the rat-cat method. The restless energy that found vent in bending a pin for the neighbor's seat and making crayon portraits of the teacher was once thought indicative of total depravity. It is now hailed with enthusiastic delight as prophetic of mechanical and artistic genius. The poverty stricken grammar school course has been enriched by singing and sewing, cooking and carpentering, drawing, gymnastics, and supplementary reading, and yet the educational reformer is not satisfied. He would make the idle student of the grammar school hunt for the fleeing value of the unknown

quantity, encircle the square, analyze the flower, chloroform and dissect the cat, and converse in idiomatic French. Then the high school course received his attention. He insisted that the hand should be educated with the brain; that original investigation should supplant memorized texts; and that natural methods of learning language should take the place of the time-honored custom.

He has been audacious enough to invade the precincts of the classical college and demand changes in the very stronghold of conservatism. While we of the former generation subsisted on an educational diet of prescribed quality and quantity, the modern college student may feast "on the European plan."

A former pupil recently informed the writer that he intended to enter — College to take a course in Chemistry and base-ball. It was afterwards learned that his rank in the latter far excelled that in the former. A post-graduate course leading to a degree of B.B.B. (Bachelor of Base-Ball), with rich scholarships attached, may be announced in some college catalogues of the future.

Let the revolutionist revolutionize. The fittest will survive. Natural conservatism will prevent him from carrying his pet theories to absurd extremes, and by the test of experiment and experience mere fads that delight the visionary will be exploded and abandoned.

This article is written from the standpoint of a teacher in the preparatory school who feels that a change in the traditional requirements for admission to college would be expedient.

The importance of a liberal education for a larger number of American youth needs no emphasis. That the per cent. of college graduates does not keep pace with the growth of the population is a lamentable fact. Less than one in a hundred of the American school children ever go to college, and less than five in a hundred go to high school. Of the graduates of a typical Massachusetts high school, four per cent. go to higher institutions; of a typical Connecticut high school five per cent. In many academies the per cent. may be larger.

In looking over the catalogues of the leading New England colleges we find the requirements for admission to be Latin, Greek, Mathematics, Roman and Greek History, French or German, and English. Four languages! Three-fourths of the time of a high school or an academy student preparing for college must be spent on the study of language. Nearly eighty per cent. of the period of preparation on *ancient* languages. Granting all that may be said in favor of the ancient classics as disciplinary studies, is not the discipline too narrow and one-sided? For admission to the college course leading to the degree of A.B. the following scheme is suggested:

1. English.
2. Mathematics.
3. Latin.
4. History and Geography.

5. Greek or French, or German or Natural Science.

In this scheme English, and not an ancient language, occupies the position of honor.

Harvard and Cornell reports show that candidates for admission make the least per cent. of failures in Latin and Greek, and the highest per cent. of failures in Mathematics and English. The complaints of college professors that a large majority of candidates come to college poorly prepared in the study of English, lacking power to use the mother-tongue with accuracy, clearness, and force, and have only a slight acquaintance with its literature, is well-nigh universal.

A writer in *MacMillan's Magazine* shows us the wonderful spread of the English language. In Germany it is superseding French as the first to be learned after the native language. In Russia it is more popular than French. In Denmark, Norway, and Sweden a person is not considered educated who does not speak English. On the coast of Africa it has driven out all other European languages. In India and Japan it is gaining a strong foothold. Indications seem to justify his prophecy that the language of the all-conquering Anglo-Saxon nations will become the universal language of the globe. It has a noble history, a rich literature, and its study gives a mental power and moral insight unexcelled by any language.

The requirements in Latin, Mathematics, and History would be the same, emphasis being placed on quality rather than quantity, on results obtained rather

than number of books read or problems solved. In the proposed plan, Greek is made optional with a Modern Language or Natural Science, or both.

While the writer yields to no one in his admiration for the Greek language as one of the finest instruments of human thought, and thus possessing great value as a disciplinary study, yet he finds himself in sympathy with the views of a head-master of one of the large preparatory schools in Massachusetts who says: "I should hail with delight the proposal to drop Greek from the list of studies required for entrance to college. We find Greek the great bugbear of our pupils, and while I enjoyed it in the days when I was teaching it more than any other study, I would gladly see it made optional with Science. I suppose I am heterodox on the Greek question, but I find myself in a respectable and constantly growing number."

The large minority of the head-masters of preparatory schools of conservative England who favor this view of the Greek question is indeed significant. The current is evidently moving strongly in that direction. Two New England colleges have already adopted this plan. The substitution of the Natural Sciences for Greek is meeting with added favor. They make provision for the training of the perceptive powers of the mind while the present requirements do not. A college professor of Biology recently remarked, "Most college boys come to my class positively blind. I give them beautiful specimens for them to examine and ask them to tell me what they see. They

see nothing. They are blind." If the power to see is not a necessary part of a liberal education, what is?

The proposed change in the requirements for admission would doubtless necessitate change in the college curriculum. Elementary and Advanced Greek would become a college elective. With less emphasis placed on the Ancient Classics more time can be devoted to Civics, Economics, Sociology, History, Ethics, subjects of growing importance in these days.

The proposed changes in requirements for admission would attract a larger number to the higher education for which the college stands. It would increase the numbers and raise the standard of scholarship in the secondary schools. Note the average youth entering the high school or academy at the age of fourteen or fifteen. He is restless, ambitious, eager to get into real life as soon as possible. College is an unknown, far-off, undesired thing. The four years' "grind" in Latin, Greek, and Mathematics to prepare for it are prospective torture.

Commercial schools, with their one-year courses and the promise of a fine position at the close hang out their alluring temptations and his imagination is captured. The short-cuts across lots to professional and technical schools seem inviting. To these—through these—into active life is the course that commends itself to him and his practical parents. The professional and technical schools will soon be obliged, in self-defense, to raise their standard of admission to an equality with the college requirements.

With the changes made in college requirements as suggested, what follows? The path across lots to the professional or technical school is walled up. Greek, the biggest bugbear is removable at pleasure. To Latin he submits with a mild protest. French or German is a living language and presents some attractiveness. The utility of Mathematics he does not question. English and Natural Sciences commend themselves to his judgment as practical and even necessary. Nearing the end of his course scholarly ambitions stir within him. His horizon broadens. College looms up, approaches, invites. It is not too late to accept. His previous course is in the line of direct preparation. Should circumstances prevent his taking the college course, he has a splendid preparation for life's work.

Whether he decides to enter college, professional school, or directly upon his work as a bread-winner his preparatory course has been broad, suggestive, and practical. For the sake of the multitude who ought to press on to the lofty ideals inspired by the college, we are led to ask the colleges to open wider their doors—without lowering their standards—that more may come in. H. S. COWELL, '75.

IN MEMORIAM.

To the Editors of the Bates Student :

NEWS has reached me of the death of Henry Beecher Nevens, of the class of '81. This is sad news and unexpected; for when last I saw him

on Christmas of 1892 he was well, and since then have not heard from him. Though not regularly corresponding with him of late years, I have deemed him a near friend. Doubtless some one of his classmates will prepare a regular obituary notice of him for the *STUDENT*, as is proper; but I, too, wish to testify to his worth. Let this, then, be written less formally; let me speak of him familiarly; for I knew Mr. Nevens very well; better, perhaps, than did many of his own class. I deem it a great good fortune that my own class, '79, came between two of the best classes Bates ever had, '77 and '81. Without derogation to the good qualities of other classes with which we were associated during our course, I count it an especial good to have known the men of these two classes. This is the feeling, I am sure of the whole of my class; and between these two classes and '79 a close friendship existed. What served, largely perhaps, to draw these classes together was the great interest taken by all of them in baseball. From the fall of 1875, when we entered, till '81 graduated, Bates held the State championship,—six successive years; and during the four years of my course, '77 and '79, and later '79 and '81 furnished nearly all the men for this champion team. Mr. Nevens was a member of the team a part of this time and, as an ardent friend of the sport, here I first learned to know him.

After his graduation, Nevens, Sanborn, and Robinson of '81, and myself had rooms in the same house in Boston for more than a year. That period of

companionship will ever be a bright spot, I think, in the memory of all of us. From this time I date a very close friendship with these men. Poindexter, who entered Bates after my graduation but soon left on account of his health, and later died from consumption, was a member of our charmed circle part of this time. During this time Mr. Nevens and myself regularly attended the church of Dr. James Freeman Clarke, and on the long walks to and from church we talked freely of the spiritual life; for Dr. Clarke's preaching awakened a new faith and life in both of us. Ever a youth of the most exemplary habits, from this time especially, Mr. Nevens was filled with an earnest desire for the noblest living. We never met in after years that we did not recur to that experience and naturally fell to talking upon the themes of the higher life. So I feel that I have good grounds of knowledge in testifying to his purity of life and moral earnestness. I count it a great gain to have known him thus intimately and feel a corresponding loss in his death. 'Eighty-one has lost a noble member, Bates a worthy son, and his friends a true companion. How glad we are at such times that death does not end all; how glad that friendship is stronger than death, and shall reassert itself when we have passed through death's experience.

RODNEY F. JOHONNOT, '79.

Oak Park, Ill., March 16, 1893.

The object of education is the formation of character.—*Prof. Huxley.*

SECRET SOCIETIES IN BATES.

I UNDERSTAND that there is a growing sentiment at the college in favor of organizing one or more of the Greek-letter societies, so-called. There are two considerations that would co-operate to give such a movement popularity. In the first place, it would be a radical innovation, and we are apt to hail almost any kind of a change with favor. Then it is a *secret society*, and, above all, a college secret society, a real, genuine, Greek-letter fraternity, with all the fascinations and traditions that time and a varying degree of mystery has woven about these organizations.

Before the promoters of such an enterprise allow it to receive much of an impetus they should carefully weigh both its advantages and disadvantages, what it will cost and what it will secure,—and it is to this that I wish to call your attention in an informal manner.

Of course the chief claim for the college secret society, and, in fact, substantially the only one outside of the "fun" it will furnish, is the tendency to draw the students together, ally their interests more closely, keep up college associations, and possibly bring the students into closer relation with those of other institutions. I am not aware that these do not practically cover the claims made for such organizations.

Let us consider their weight. Will it draw the students of the local college more closely together than the present institutions do? I say, No. In the first place the introduction of the

Greek-letter society will necessarily lead to the formation of several different fraternities with no interest in common, and with a tendency to draw their members ever farther apart, leading to a wholesale disregard of class interests, and ultimately here, as it has invariably done elsewhere, to the subversion of base-ball and other athletic interests, to those of society, so that a man must strive, not so much to play good ball as to ally himself with the most powerful society, if he would be given a trial on the team without first proving himself a "phenom." This is the unqualified confession of members of similar societies in other places.

Thus, while it must be admitted that it would form a close union between the members of each respective society, it would shut them up to almost an equal extent from those of all others and divide the students, not into two rival groups, as at present, but into more, thereby curtailing the associations of each and defeating the very purpose it strives to secure. And that, too, I believe, without making the fraternal feeling any more marked than that now engendered by the constant rivalry of the two literary societies.

Again, I do not believe it would bring the students of our college into a closer relation with those of others. It surely could be only one clique with the similar clique in the other college. If relied upon at all, outside of that, it would only result in the same disagreeable way as at home. And even the benefits of a closer relation with these few could be enjoyed only by the two or three delegates whose ex-

penses, at the intercollegiate banquet table, the rank and file of the members had the inestimable pleasure of paying. No one ever heard of any general good derived from these intercollegiate gatherings, made up of one or two representatives from a place, who see the sights, have the fun, derive the benefit, and hand in their bills when they get home.

But what about the advantages of the college fraternity to the graduate, for which I understand that the most is claimed? He will not be out of college long before he will find that there is many a man who never held converse with Homer and Plato, Virgil and Cicero, in their native tongue, who never discussed conic sections and electrical motors, but whose friendship is worth as much as the best scholar in his class. This man, the man of practical ideas, whether a college graduate or not, who has no time for theorizing, who blurts right out that it is a fine day instead of reluctantly informing you that "it is quite propitious weather," who has long since ceased to think that men of all creeds, save his own, wear a tail, and that a poor, deluded Roman Catholic is fitted out with claws and all, who has no time to sit back and prove that the world is rapidly coming to an end, but hustles around and takes things as they are,—this man will make your best friend, and it is his friendship and confidence you should win. Consequently, while the college secret society, though more or less of a curse in college, may facilitate your associations with some men after you have graduated, it is evident that there are other societies that will do the same work

then, and at the same time cover a much broader and more productive field, thus doing away with the demand for them.

So much for their benefits. Outside of their detrimental effects on intercollegiate enterprises already referred to I will take time to call your attention to but one or two further objections.

You now have two excellent literary societies that are doing a work of inestimable value. Set your secret societies in motion, with their gilt-edged fascinations and peculiar influences, and you will have no stable literary society. Our own general observation will teach us that. The experience of other colleges prove it. Take Bowdoin, for instance. With all her students and her ability, she cannot maintain a debating society two winters in succession, and, if I am not greatly mistaken, they generally look consumptive by the beginning of the first spring.

And let us not trust that the work of the secret society will cover the field now cultivated by the public literary society. Nothing fosters work of that sort like the rivalry engendered by a public examination and public comparison of the methods in use and results obtained. This stimulus would be entirely lost. Then we know that, with the formalities of the ritual and the general routine business, there would be little opportunity left for whole-souled devotion to literary work. Besides, the well-meant, but too often abortive attempts of the colleges which boast of secret societies to keep the breath of life in a literary society, give the lie to the assertion that the former really does the work of the latter.

These things should be considered before any rapture, born of a desire for something new, leads us to adopt a system already rapidly falling into disfavor and disrepute, where it has been the longest in vogue, and which threatens to crowd out that which has already proven so satisfactory.

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THE GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY OF MOMENTS.

To the Editors of the Student:

I WAS rash enough to say yes to the request of your Editor for a communication for the STUDENT. When I did so I threw away all the teachings of experience, and fully supposed that several weeks' time would be ample to prepare something. I suppose my experience is different from that of others of your readers, but even when I said the imprudent word I knew perfectly well that this time, which looked so large to me then, and of such goodly proportions from which I might expect so much, would gradually slip through my hands and become a perfect dwarf.

And now when I think of the rascally way in which this well-promising servant has used me I am inclined to talk about him and see if after all I cannot make him help me out. This fellow is in some respects one of our worst enemies. We don't realize it at first, he looks so pleasant and promises so much. But after a while the disguise begins to fall off, and we know him little by little for what he really is.

We can't get over a horizontal bar, nor run bases, nor throw a base-ball

as we used to do. We begin to find spectacles convenient. We occasionally find problems of life which we can't solve off-hand as we could when we were in college. And who is to blame but Time? A friend of mine has been for some years making a gallant fight against Time. When the foe attacks in one direction and opens up a bald spot on the top of his head, he wears a more youthful hat. As the wrinkles become plentier and plainer on his face his coat is jauntier and conforms more closely to the style of the fashionable *young* man of the day. He habitually steps quicker, and in twenty ways tries to present a bold front.

But after all Time wins, and we who are looking on, see just how he does it with our neighbors, especially with those who are a little older than we. But we really can't see that in just the same way the game is going against us. We might as well decide once for all to watch every move he makes and play our best game. Like other foes he is best met by dividing his forces. It is in anybody's power to do this. For all his array comes into position for attack, minute by minute, one at a time, and if we are ready for them as they come there isn't much to be feared. But if a man fails to settle each minute as it goes by it straightway begins to help every past and succeeding minute to trouble him.

Thus, you and I have something to write for a paper, perchance. Time sends up, one after another, minutes for us to deal with. We think they are not very important and let them pass into such positions as they see fit

to take. We did that yesterday, or last week. To-day, other minutes each have to receive attention for themselves, and those we have missed are making it harder to stop those now upon us. And yet, is Time so bad? Those minutes we lost are positively insufferable. They torment us. They burden us with work. They even make all work distasteful. But the minutes we take care of as they come along are pleasant and friendly. They really, notwithstanding each one that comes takes us so much farther toward the end of the battle, are firm and strong allies. It is perfectly amazing what we can accomplish with their aid. They become our servants almost. They are like the capital which the economical man gathers, cent by cent, dollar by dollar, gradually accumulating until it becomes a power in his hands.

You will notice that the man who is sure to be successful financially is the one who puts his spare coppers, dimes, and dollars promptly into some savings bank or similar institution as soon as he gets them. Generally the interest is small. In fact he knows of no other way to invest, and really the amounts he handles are so insignificant that no other way is open to him. But as the days go by the amount gradually rolls up. The first thing you know he quietly buys a bond or a corner lot, or as time and experience qualify him he takes a hand in the more extensive financial transactions of the day, and is counted, perchance, among the wealthy.

Time counts for the student in about the same way. The trouble with most

of us is that we look for a chance to make a large investment to start with. We have all lost more opportunities in our lives because we didn't look out to save and invest our capital of Time which came to us in minutes and hours, than in any other way. Such small matters we did not regard as of much importance, and rather thought of the results of months and years employed in some large intellectual undertaking.

But in fact the great thing is to be sure and take care of Time as it comes along. It is not of so much consequence how we do it, at first, as to make sure that we do it. Thus you and I have often regretted our use of the college library. Though we spent many hours within its walls, and read many books from its shelves, I am satisfied that we did not really get inside it, and probably the average student fails as much as we did. The trouble was that we allowed our efforts to be confined to following special courses of reading in one direction or another, very largely as the requirements of essays and college work demanded, but did not carefully and systematically use the short periods which were at our command to do our own individual regular reading. I think it would make but little difference where one should start. All roads lead to Rome in literary life. Every step takes one nearer the great center. Every step makes one better able to judge where to plant his feet next time.

Did you ever read Anthony Trollope's autobiography? It is the life of a man who, without much apparent

intellectual capital to start with, invested his time and efforts in such a way as to accomplish almost miraculous results, doing an immense amount of work, and attaining for himself a high place among the literary men of his day. He was never idle. Even when he traveled he converted the railroad train into a study and worked with hand and brain. As I said, it doesn't make very much difference where we start, if only one works honestly and thoroughly. The trouble with us mostly is that we are impatient for results. We do not care to trust this Time, which we thus make our ally, to accomplish for us what he has never failed to do for others. Really, no matter how dry and useless the work which we really do may be, if we persist in it we shall find it fresh, and vigorous, and expanding, and productive more and more the farther we go. The truth is that one cannot go far with real work without coming to one or another intersecting way which will be pleasant to his feet; which perhaps, he of all men, is best able to travel. Have we ever tried it? Have we ever laid on our table some book which should have its regular reading at regular times, and which should be at hand for a place of deposit where we may invest our spare moments?

Take for example the most ponderous and driest of histories of our country. Pick it up and go through with it in this fashion. Never mind if it be dry. Never mind if we remember consciously but very little of what has been read by us. Useless though the work may seem to be in the way of

acquisition, if particular facts escape us; if we lack the generalizing power of the experienced scholar; if the whole thing seems "weary, stale, and unprofitable," yet one may be sure that he is taking steps to train his historical perception, and he will be sure to find the results when he has gone far enough and gained knowledge enough so that his mind has means within itself of holding one historical fact up against another for comparison.

Step by step, history, biography, art, science, and literature unfold before him and sooner or later he finds himself really and truly in the world of the library. He has found how to associate with books. Literary thoughts and judgments, and facts and sayings have taken their proper place in his mental equipment. From a mere small depositor in the bank of wisdom he has become a capitalist. After long dependence on others for his accumulations he suddenly finds that he himself has the power of the scholar at his control. He belongs to a new world, and when he retraces his steps and inquires how it has been done, it is just this same villainous Time, who, as his enemy, has so annoyed him, but who now become his friend, has so wonderfully stood by and assisted him. And indeed, even if he does inevitably bring the gray hairs, and the feeble body, and the final destruction of things of sense, yet for the scholar, even as the evening of life approaches, Time has been a true friend, and for the scholar, the things which Time destroys are really the things which are of the least consequence. The mind

is his kingdom, and his good servant Time has grandly fought for him in enlarging its borders.

SPECIAL NOTES.

Fifteen different classes have been represented at the ten lunches of the Bates Lunch Club in Boston.

The alumni are contributing quite generally and liberally toward the baseball fund for the present season. There is still room.

Mason, formerly of Bates, Harvard's great catcher and batter, is prevented from playing this season owing to illness. We understand that Emery, of the Medical School, Bates, '92, was urgently invited to enter into practice for the position, but refused for lack of time.

The officers of the College Club are busy laying plans for their next year's work. It is yet undecided whether a system of prizes similar to this year's will be offered, or whether their money will be expended in another direction.

GRADUATES IN TOWN.

As usual, many of the schools and colleges of New England enjoyed several days' vacation near the first of April, and we were pleased to notice many Bates graduates in the city. Among others were Garcelon and Neal, '90, Howard and Emery, '92, of Harvard University; Plummer, '91, of the Winthrop High School; Emerich, '91, of the Norway High School; Roscoe Small, '92, of the Lincoln (Mass.) High School; Dr. F. L. Day, recently of the Bellevue Hospital Medical School, New

York City, who will spend two months at his home on College Street before assuming his duties in Bridgeport, Ct.

PERSONALS.

'71.—Hon. J. M. Libby, a member of the Maine Senate from Androscoggin, achieved a gratifying triumph when the bill creating the new town of Mechanic Falls was before the Senate. The opponents of the bill had been exceedingly active. When the measure came up for passage, Mr. Libby addressed the Senate for an hour, after which the bill was passed unanimously. This speaks well for Mr. Libby's influence among his colleagues.

'73.—Though a Republican, Charles B. Reade has been retained as assistant sergeant-at-arms in the United States Senate. Mr. Reade is also attorney for a big Brooklyn terminal company.

'76.—Walter C. Leavitt died Saturday morning, March 11th, at Minneapolis, Minn., of consumption. He went to Denver, Col., and thence to New Mexico, in December, with the hope of regaining his health, but was obliged to return to Minnesota. Mr. Leavitt was an excellent attorney and a worthy man in all ways.

'81.—Apropos to President Hyde's article in the *Forum* on "Impending Paganism," Rev. B. S. Rideout, of Norway, contributes a timely and interesting article to the *Christian Mirror* on church attendance in the farming districts.

'83.—A recent number of the *Portsmouth Times* contains a very interesting account of his trip through Scotland, written by O. L. Frisbee.

'85.—F. A. Morey, Esq., has been re-elected city solicitor of Lewiston.

'85.—B. G. W. Cushman, M.D., has been appointed city physician of Auburn.

'87.—F. Wallace Chase has been elected principal of the Lewiston Grammar School to succeed Mr. Dunton, of the same class, resigned. Mr. Chase also succeeded Mr. Dunton as principal of the Belfast High School.

'89.—Miss M. S. Little is assistant in the High School at Deering, Me.

'89.—A. L. Safford has been elected Superintendent of Schools at Beverly, Mass.

'89.—Daggett and Emerson are members of the Austin Law Club of the Harvard Law School.

'90.—F. S. Pierce recently took a prominent part in an opera given at Springfield, Mass.

'90.—F. L. Day, M.D., received his degree from the Bellevue Hospital Medical College in March. Dr. Day was successful in a competitive examination, and will serve as house physician in the Bridgeport (Conn.) Hospital for the year beginning January 1st.

'90.—A. N. Peaslee has received two stories from undergraduates in competition for the college club prize. We hope many more are in preparation.

'90.—F. S. Pierce is teaching music in the schools of New Britain, Conn.

'91.—A. C. Chapin has been teaching in Noble, Mich., with excellent success.

'91.—W. B. Cutts will remain next year at the Haverford College Grammar School with an increase of salary.

'92.—Scott Wilson remains another

year at the Haverford College Grammar School and will teach Mathematics and Physical Culture. His work will be arranged so that he can take lectures in the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania; he will also enter the office of Terry, Jenkins & Wordsworth, in Philadelphia. During the summer he will come back to Portland and study with Symonds, Snow & Cook.

'92.—H. E. Walter intends to go to Germany to study next year.

'92.—In the mid-year examinations in the Harvard Medical School, E. W. Emery was one of nineteen in a class of one hundred and twenty-five who had attained sufficient daily rank to be excused from taking the examination.

College Exchanges.

SEVERAL of our exchanges appear this month under new editorial management. Among these the *College Rambler* is especially creditable. An article entitled "Byron and Burns, Two Magnificent Failures," is well worth a careful reading. The same number contains the letter of an alumnus discussing the relative advantages of small colleges and universities. From this we clip the following:

A census of the trained and influential minds of the country, both in professional and business ranks, will, as I believe, prove the truth of the statement that the smaller colleges "need not hesitate to compare their courses of study with parallel courses of the larger institutions," and that "the average college man need not fear to compete with the average university man upon equal terms." . . . In proportion to the means employed, in capital, apparatus, and personal labor, the smaller institutions are turning out more thorough scholars than their more ambitious rivals. One reason for this is, that thorough scholarship is largely a matter of personal effort on the part of the student himself; and when he has learned to depend upon his own powers, he has mastered one of the first and most essential principles of intellectual development. Were the means now being poured into the coffers of some of the "newly rich" institutions under the in-

fluence of example and love of notoriety, distributed among the less liberally endowed, but firmly established colleges of the land, the real service to the cause of scholarship, both in point of numbers and thoroughness, would be vastly enhanced.

The variety of subjects that engross the attention of the undergraduate world is quite remarkable, and can be appreciated only by an exchange editor. Occasionally an article of more than usual novelty attracts special attention. The *Tuftsionian*, of March sixth, contains a learned disquisition on "Courtship," which we perused with much pleasure, and we trust with much profit. We are glad to see the beneficent results of co-education assert themselves so early in our sister college, and we say of this, as of every great reform, let the good work go on.

"England's Stand in the Battle of the Books" is the subject of an interesting article in the March number of the *Miami Student*. The writer discusses the conservatism of the English universities and fitting schools with respect to the introduction of modern

languages and sciences, and shows the demands of the present day for a modification of the old English basis of education.

The *Owl* comes to our table this month with even more than its usual excellence. Its pages contain a large quantity of literary matter of exceptional quality. Two articles in particular, "Ballad Poetry of Ireland,"

and "Cosmopolitanism and Cosmopolites" are of especial merit.

The *Hamptonia*, a publication by the New Hampton Literary Societies, is always a welcome visitor. Its exterior is attractive, its numerous articles thoughtful and well written. It is the best of our fitting school exchanges, and compares more than favorably with many of the regular college papers.

Magazine Notices.

The *Cosmopolitan* is noted for the great number and excellence of its illustrations. Perhaps none of our magazines can boast a finer display in this line. The April number contains matter of more than usual variety and intrinsic value. The leading article is "Omega, the Last Days of the World," by Camille Flammarion. The scene is Paris in the twenty-fifth century. A comet has been discovered which scientific writers declare will destroy the earth on a certain date. This is a vivid description of scenes and events as they are supposed to occur in the days immediately preceding the earth's destruction. Students will be more interested in "The University of Chicago," by Hjalmar Hjorth Boyesen. This article gives a summary of the scope, methods, and equipments of this new university, that the author claims is soon to take first rank in America. There are several poems, one of them, "Sohni," by Sir Edwin Arnold.

The *Atlantic Monthly* for this month contains the fourth and last chapter of "Old Kaskaskia," by Mary Hartwell

Catherwood. "My College Days," II., by E. E. Hale, is a reminiscence of life at Harvard fifty-five years ago. College students will note with interest the superiority of present customs and methods. Mr. Hale gives an interesting account of the rise and growth of the various Greek-letter societies. Alexander V. G. Allen contributes a comparative analysis of the character of Phillips Brooks as a preacher. He praises the broad liberality of the late bishop, and especially emphasizes the fact that his was not to pull down existing institutions, although he did not believe in them, but to build up and to reconcile. "Money as an International Question," by E. Benjamin Andrews, advocates an international gold coin for the use of travelers, and also international bi-metallism. Biography is represented in "Vittoria Colonna," by Harriet Waters Preston and Louise Dodge. This number also contains abundant matter of a lighter nature, besides several good poems, the best of which is "The Country Unexplored," by Stuart Sterne.

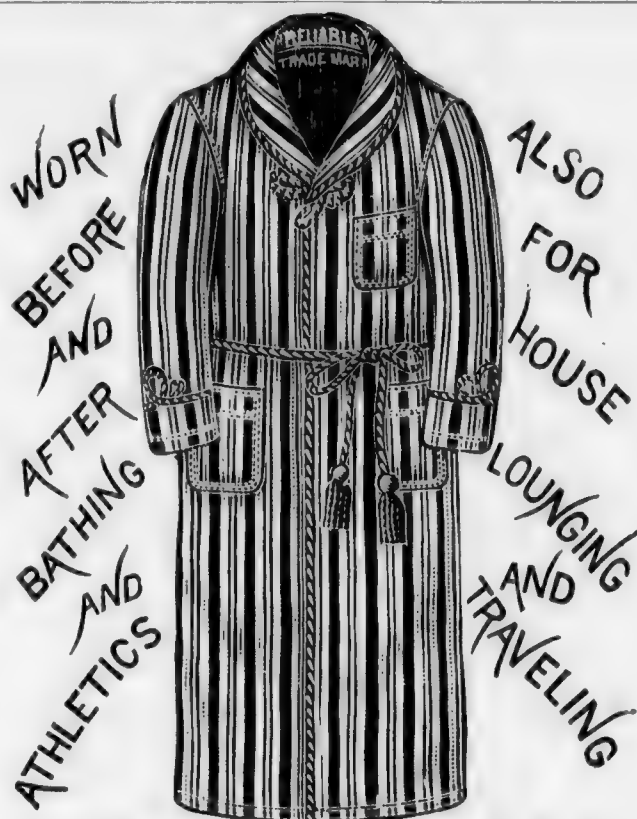


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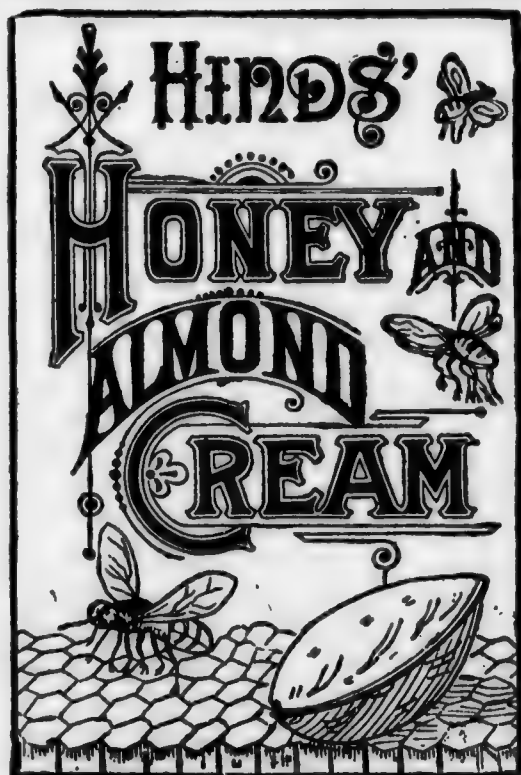


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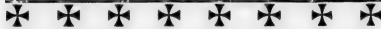
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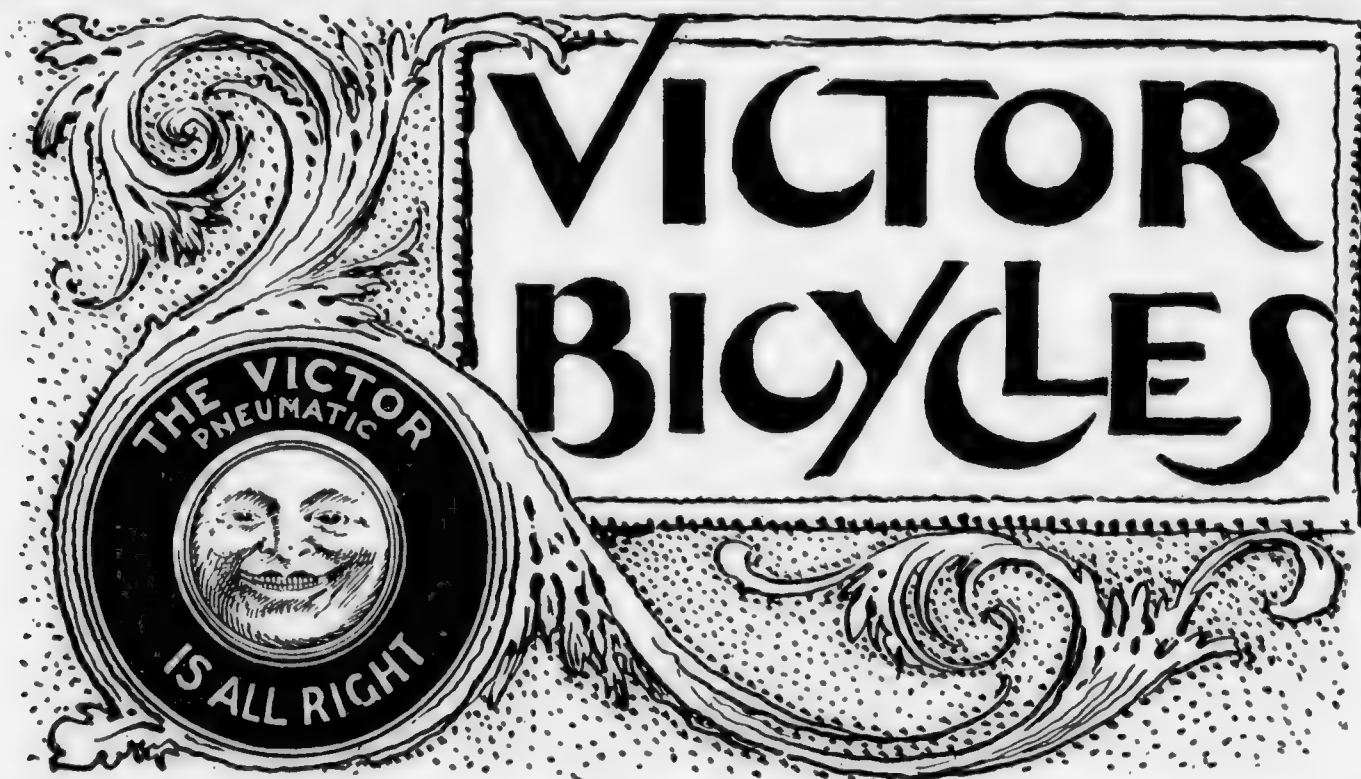
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Editorial.

PERHAPS this is the season of the college year when it is most difficult to preserve "the golden mean" between in-door study and outdoor recreation. The student feels the work of the past eight months beginning to tell on him, and knows he needs recuperation. The spring weather too, which awakens "that tired feeling," makes close confinement to books doubly hard. It may

not be orthodox, perhaps it is not, but it surely is reasonable to give to outdoor sports a prominent place in the daily programme of student life. Even if one must occasionally pay for this enjoyment by a less perfect recitation, we cannot yet see that this is worse than to forfeit the exercise and keep plugging at the cost of headaches and loss of physical force.

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A GREAT deal of time is lost in the college course of most students from a lack of purpose in reading. The average person goes into the library, picks up a book that happens to attract his fancy, takes it to his room and reads it. The genius knows what he wants when he enters the library, and he reads only that which accords with a well-defined purpose. Perhaps no one of us will become a great genius, but each and every one of us can save much valuable time and acquire a valuable habit, if we will but lay out for ourselves a definite course to be pursued in our reading. No mat-

ter how far short we may fall of accomplishing all that we lay out to do, we shall still have gained much by making everything we have read count as stepping-stones to those attainments which we hold most valuable for our after lives.

The same idea may be carried still farther and made to apply to newspaper and periodical reading. Much time is wasted by the average student in the indiscriminate reading of the daily papers, which would be better spent in sport even, so far as mental and moral profit is concerned. The newspapers should receive their share of attention, to be sure, and that regularly, in order that we may keep well posted on all current topics; but this attention should be given systematically, and only to those papers which will give the required information in the briefest manner consistent with thoroughness and accuracy. The habit of ascertaining at a glance what will be profitable to read on a newspaper page is one which all can cultivate, and obviously, to good advantage, while for the same reason able reviews and criticisms of the long articles upon political, scientific, and religious subjects, so plentiful in the magazines, are better suited to the student's purpose than the articles themselves.

It will be difficult of course to reduce our habits of reading to a perfect system, but in an age so eminently practical, when there is so much to read and so little time in the busy college life to devote to reading, it is surely worth the effort to separate, in some measure at least, the chaff from

the golden grain of literary thought which is lying so plentiful within our reach.

MUCH has been said, in a grandiloquent way, about the freedom of the press. In view of some of the tendencies of modern journalism, we may well pause to examine the other side of the subject and inquire how much liberty of this kind should be granted to newspapers in dealing with the private affairs of individuals and with persons not occupying a public position. Newspapers, in order to outstrip their rivals in a matter of news, sometimes overstep the limits of courtesy and even of decency. But that prying spirit, which would be denominated as exceedingly indelicate among all right-minded people, cannot be excused when it appears in the columns of the daily press, even though it masquerades as journalistic enterprise.

This thought has pertinency in connection with an article that recently appeared in relation to the presidency of this college. A man who has led a useful and honored life at the head of an institution of learning contemplates retirement on account of the burden of years; but he is not allowed to do this in his own way, and to make his decision known in the usual manner. Not content with this infringement of courtesy, the article in question goes still further, and represents a Lewiston pastor and one of the professors of the college as engaged in an eager contest for the position, even before there has been any authentic statement of a vacancy. The mischievousness

of such a representation and its injustice to these gentlemen cannot be overestimated. It would seem that, if any are to be spared the annoyance of seeing their names paraded and their intentions misrepresented in public print, it should be those who have chosen retired and scholarly lives, devoted unselfishly to the interests of religion and education.

We would condemn the officiousness which undertakes to place these gentlemen in this embarrassing position, which would discuss the presidency of a college as if it were a political office, and which even adduces the results of a mythical canvass of the student body as to the relative popularity of its self-invented candidates. While the students are, of course, interested in this question, they do not presume to arrogate functions that are generally considered as belonging to another body.

DID you ever notice how rare are the visits from members of the other society? Our own attention was recently called to the fact, and it rather surprised us. We doubt that two-thirds of the students in college, since they joined their respective societies, have paid more than one visit to their neighbors across the hall. The writer has paid not even one.

Now is this as it should be? It seems to us that it is not. Nothing will so surely make a man a bigot as self-satisfied isolation. To suppose that any one society, or class, or people, has all that there is of worth centered in itself,—this is death to every essential of development. It is true

that in order to attain the best results each student should regularly attend his own society; but he should not make himself a slave to it, bearing in mind that the society is for the individual, not the individual for the society. We have no doubt that an occasional neighborly call would be well repaid. It would stimulate honest comparison, and honest comparison would stimulate improvement, not only of the individual, but also of the society. In any case it could do no harm, but would tend to give us a broader understanding and a more brotherly feeling toward one another. So drop in now and then. We shall be glad to see you.

STUDENTS are now asking themselves the question, Shall I attend the World's Fair? We answer most emphatically, yes! To the true student there can be no pleasanter or more profitable way of spending a summer than in making a personal examination of the exhibits of the several countries. By so doing, he can form a very fair estimate of the civilization of the various parts of the world, besides securing abundant food for thought in after life. Again, it will always be a pleasure to remember that he did not neglect this opportunity. Many a man regrets the fact that he did not attend the Centennial, but it is too late now. The opportunity will never return to him.

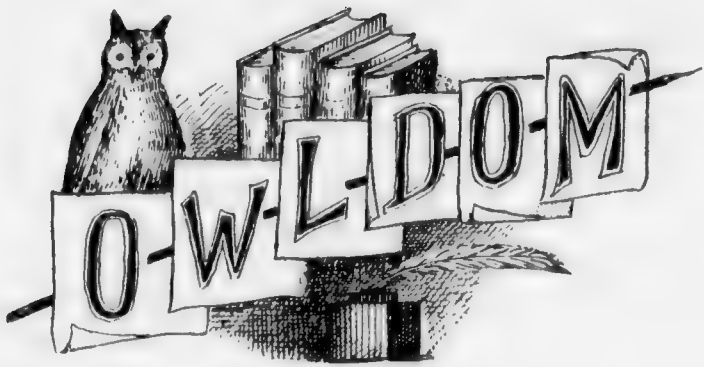
Every person who attends the fair will derive therefrom pleasure and satisfaction, both present and future, but he will derive more than that. Most students have in view some defi-

nite line of thought or action as a life work. Whatever that line may be, they will find there the best results ever attained in their particular departments, so far as it is possible to place them on exhibition, thus affording special opportunities for study.

One cannot fail to come away with broader views and more liberal ideas. Foreign exhibits, rivaling, and sometimes surpassing, our own, will teach Americans a lesson they need to learn, viz., that there are other peoples as progressive, as intelligent, and as successful as our own. With this truth in mind we shall not rest on laurels already won, but re-enter the national race with an enthusiasm derived only from a sense of close rivalry and sharp competition.

The Intercollegiate Athletic Association, known as the "Mott Haven Association," consists at present of the following members: Yale, Princeton, Cornell, Trinity, Columbia, Rutgers, Stevens, Georgetown, Williams, Amherst, University of Pennsylvania, Harvard, College of City of New York, University of City of New York, Fordham, Union, Brown, Wesleyan, and Swarthmore.

There are but three complete files of the *Yale Literary Magazine* in existence, one in possession of the literary board, one in Chittenden library, and one in the British Museum. The magazine is the oldest American periodical in existence.



THE latest prodigy to whom the attention of the Owl has been called is the young lady who walked a mile in a rain storm to entreat the professor to allow a double lesson in Greek, to make up for the one lost through the professor's illness. The Owl wonders if the fair damsel is the forerunner of a day when the main value and duty of a professor shall be to prevent overwork and save the pupil from imbibing a dangerous potion of Latin, Greek, or mathematics.

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WHAT means this jealous eye? Why does Bates cast so envious a glance towards Brunswick, Waterville, and Orono? Why, don't you see that group of Bowdoin boys? They are reading the last *Bugle*, just out. It is the great event of under-graduate life. See how every one hastens and queries. And there, you see, at Waterville, are the Colby boys, devouring the *Oracle* for '93. Its appearance is the consummation of the year's pleasures and successes. At Orono, too, the annual has just appeared. You know it is called the *Chain*. It is a great event at Maine State. But why need Bates be jealous, you ask? Because we have no annual. The STUDENT is our sole field of journalistic endeavor. We have no grand culmination of class distinction from year to year; no im-

perishable repertory of the great events during four years of pleasant and profitable college life. But why, you ask, are we so slow? Pardon, but we are not slow. The trouble is, that in former years this coveted privilege has been grossly infringed upon, and as a result, our annual, the *Garnet*, is boycotted by the powers that be.

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YOU suggest that a distinct understanding and agreement between students and Faculty might again secure this privilege. The Owl thinks it might; but you see heretofore neither side has been in a conciliatory mood. This matter, you think, would be a good one for the college council to take up? It might be. But, does any one know who belongs to the council? I understand it is a somewhat unused functionary, and that disintegration threatens. By the way, are any of the council under suspension now? I believe not, and only five of them are under probation. Well, if they are in so fine working order, they should be rewarded with a job; and if they can really bring about a permanent and satisfactory arrangement for the issuance of an annual on a sound disciplinary, literary, and financial basis, it would seem a favor to all connected with Bates. But you agree with the Owl, do you not, that instead of a mere fun-maker and ridiculer, this annual should be a more perfect mirror of life at Bates, in its every phase, and that literary and artistic merit should be its first and most indispensable features? Certainly, and the name need not begin

with G, either, if any opprobrium connects with the name. Even so.

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AS THE Owl was listening to the Professor translating the German that the pupils had not read, the reader was all at once at a loss for the proper word to use. "What is it we expect to have on Mount David?" he asked innocently enough, and the reply came promptly from several voices, "A bon fire." Such is the confidence with which the Owl and his associates regard the rising generation in the crisis they are rapidly approaching.

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IT WAS society night—10.45 P.M. On noiseless pinions the Owl was penetrating the darkness of a back street in search of legitimate prey. Suddenly a familiar voice—two of them, in fact. Our bird settled into a dark corner over a front door, and held his breath. He heard a well-known youth beg for the company of a certain maiden at an approaching entertainment. He heard the maiden make some most laudable excuses for being compelled to disappoint him. He heard the youth sigh, resignedly, "O well! It doesn't matter very much,—didn't really think you'd go, any way. Asked three or four girls before,—kind of thought you'd go, though." He heard no more. His owlsh conscience troubled him. He spread his little wings and sped his flight into the thick blackness of the night. And now our philosopher is trying to imagine why that maiden seems to prefer the other fellow. Curious, isn't it?

THE Owl regrets the multiplication of college incidentals, and fully appreciates the burden of various society and association dues. While a few are amply justified by circumstances in withholding their support from the various associations, yet it would seem that many choose too willingly to clip their expenses by this method. This applies especially to the Athletic Association. No man who regularly uses the tennis courts, and so is benefited by the funds of the association, can justify himself in failing to join the association and to regularly pay the dues. Better slight the theater and similar pleasures than allow your fellow-students to bear the expense of your recreation.

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THE Owl is for Bates, first, last, and all the time, and believes that, in general, no more promising and manly young men are gathered in any of the colleges of the country than those who are pursuing their studies here. There is one thing in particular which has caused the Owl much gratification. It is the fact that our students do not, to any great extent, ape the fashion so noticeable at many institutions, of donning gold-bowed spectacles by the end of the first college term, purely as a mark of distinction. For those who wear spectacles because their eyes are weak or in any way injured, the Owl has all respect and sympathy. If you injure your eyes on account of over-study and close application to Greek text-books, there is no reason why you should not provide yourself with spec-

tacles of some sort; whether gold-bowed or otherwise would make no difference to us; but, if you wear gold-bowed spectacles, simply because they are the one thing needful to crown the college dude's ambition, the Owl sheds tears of sympathy with your mother for the humiliation which she must suffer the first time she sees you after your ambition has been thus crowned; and as for your father, what utter hopelessness he must feel when he realizes the extent and quality of the brain tissue, for the development of which he is paying so dearly.

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BUT alas! Occasionally the Owl sees something, even among the students at Bates, which causes him to blush for the dignity of her fair name. Allow me to generalize a little. I have always viewed with disfavor the custom which some boys are constantly inclined to follow, of standing outside church doors on Sunday evenings, and causing the young ladies of the congregation to run the gauntlet of curious eyes, and too often to be shamelessly commented upon. It is a custom which has no excuse except in thoughtlessness, and thoughtlessness is never a good excuse. If you wish to gain the respect and favor of any young lady of good common sense, don't "line up" with the boys, but approach her in a manly fashion and ask for her company. Above all things, show her the respect which her sex calls for from any gentleman.

AND to carry the subject still farther, what is to be said of the verdancy of those college youths who approached some young ladies of their own class after the theatre a few evenings ago, and asked to accompany them home? The Owl came from the country, was always bashful and awkward, and even now does not claim to be way up in the rules of polite society. However, he feels called upon to express the opinion that there has been no time in the history of his career when the mere mention of a piece of greenness like the above would not have offended his sense of the eternal fitness of things. Please don't do it again. If you want company next time, buy two tickets instead of one, and show the young lady that you consider yourself favored by her company, not that you are bestowing a favor upon her.

Two hundred enthusiastic students of Leland Stanford have each given \$2.50 towards the construction of a "noise-making machine," to be used at the next athletic contest between Leland Stanford and the University of California. It is to be a monster horn worked by a steam blower, and made of galvanized iron. It is to be fifty feet in length with a diameter of ten feet, and will have a thirty-two horse-power boiler.

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An annual prize of sixty dollars is to be offered at Dartmouth to the member of her various athletic teams standing highest in his studies.

Literary.

SOME INCONSISTENCIES.

By C. C. SPRATT, '93.

SEVERAL years ago I chanced to find in a certain library a very old book, it being, I believe, a treatise upon Jewish law. In this book I read a statement that impressed me and that I have since remembered. It was this,—that the Ethiopians, in making the images that they used in their idol-worship, were accustomed to paint their devils white, but to make their angels black, like themselves. Doubtless the theology of these simple savages, touching the point of color, was as harmless to its supporters as that of their more enlightened white brethren. And this curious historical fact is of interest only as it suggests to us the question, whether we are not painting our angels white, not because it is a superior color, but because it is our own; whether in the routine of life circumstances of the slightest real importance are not constantly blinding our vision and perverting our judgment. Investigation will show at least some curious developments from this tendency.

Every year sees great masses of foreign population receive at the hands of our government the honors and privileges of American citizenship. Each one, in greater or less degree, desires to fulfill the duties of that citizenship. He has had impressed upon himself the importance of correct party affiliations; he sees contending for the mastery two parties of nearly equal size,

the members of which, it is supposed, are of nearly equal intelligence, having received like privileges in church, school, and society. He observes, however, that their platforms are opposed upon many matters pertaining to the welfare of the people; that their policies are at variance in regard to internal and international affairs. Yet of either party not one out of fifty would give him, upon political issues, candid and unbiased opinions by which he might be guided in discharging the duties that franchise imposes. Very few of us have ever listened to even a score of men in public address or private conversation that, in discussing the men and methods of the opposite party, did not misrepresent them.

That people have decided opinions and hold to them is commendable, provided those opinions are justly acquired. Too often we do not act by the slow method of examining facts and then drawing conclusions, but form opinions congenial to ourselves, which we, therefore, try to substantiate. This is so in politics. Party methods may change, but party followers do not. Of our intelligent voting population not one out of fifty has ever, from honest conviction, changed from the political faith that in early youth he espoused from parental influence or personal interests. Surely our political divinities are colored after the manner of the Ethiopians.

This habit of seeing things as we wish to see them is the source of many

evils. It was the immediate and responsible cause of the civil war. Slave-holding had been tried in the South and was found to be a financial success. The people of that section were quick to convince themselves that the institution was in accordance with the laws of humanity, and under divine sanction. In a few degrees higher latitude slave property brought no remuneration to its owners, and all classes united to break down the institution which they perceived to be under the ban of God, and therefore to be detested of man. The civil war ensued. I have no doubt that the South in general had the same convictions of a just and righteous cause as had the North; that General Lee was as conscientious as General Grant. But that fatal fallacy of the South shows us to what extent our ideas may become subservient to our desires.

A completed list of such obvious inconsistencies would include some that may be regarded as harmless, as the preference a citizen gives his native State, or a collegian his *Alma Mater*. It would, however, include many that must be adjudged as injurious to society and to the judicial power of the individual. The principles of perspective must be considered in thought as well as in art, else things near at hand will assume undue proportions, and shut from view the great world of objects beyond; and a man's own opinions, so near to his heart, will be greatest in his own eyes.

It has been said that we create the world in which we live. It would seem that we have still further usurped the

prerogative of the Divine Master, and say of our creation that "it is good." We have thus disqualified ourselves, to a certain extent, from giving evidence when the issue is between ourselves and the world. Independence in thought and action is, indeed, the essential element of genius; by it we are led to take the first steps of progress. But we must beware of an independence that is not independence at all, but mere subservience to the caprice of the individual.

PHYSICAL TRAINING A FACTOR IN EDUCATION.

BY W. A. FRENCH, '94.

PERHAPS no department of education is more generally misunderstood than that of physical training. The popular belief seems to be that education has to do solely with training the intellect, and that the attainment of the highest possible mental development to the utter disregard of the body is the sum total of a course of training intended to fit one for the various duties of life. This disregard of one of the simplest, and at the same time most imperative of nature's laws, has been a stumbling-block to many an ambitious student, and has blighted the career of many a brilliant intellect. We do not claim that physical training will insure to all a sound body and a strong constitution, but we do claim that the regular practice of physical exercises is the best and only remedy for the many dangers that threaten the health of the child in the existing system of education.

This remedy, however, can be bene-

ficial only when the exercises are well chosen and are applied according to some rational system. The choice of a system is, therefore, a vital point, and it is here that we meet one of our gravest difficulties.

There are several systems of gymnastics, each having distinct characteristics. The Swedish system is characterized by simplicity of movement and moderation of effort. The simplicity of this system, together with the fact that it can be employed with little or no apparatus, would seem to recommend it as the most practicable for the ordinary school; but the mechanical precision with which the exercises must be performed renders them "dry and unattractive, thus divesting them of their recreative element, without which no exercise can have its full value.

The French system is based upon the opposite theory of raising the man to the highest point of physical development. To this end it seeks ingenious combinations designed to make each movement represent a difficulty to be overcome. It contrives means for increasing the effort of the muscles and invents muscular acts to which the man is not naturally inclined. Such a system is inadequate. It is true that it may make fine gymnasts of the few who are able to master its difficulties, but by far the greater number, and always those who most need exercise, are soon discouraged by their futile attempts to master exercises so far beyond their strength. It is obvious that the effect of such a system can be only to make the strong stronger and the weak weaker.

In this country we have no distinct system of physical exercises, but an attempt is made to form one suited to all classes by a combination of exercises borrowed mainly from the Swedish, German, French, and English systems.

All physical exercises may be divided into two general classes, viz., natural and artificial. To the first class belong those exercises to which the child turns by instinct, and which demand movements similar to those which he would execute spontaneously if left to himself. The particular value of such exercises is that they are pre-eminently recreative. The second class of exercises is more scientific and systematic. They are not the result of observing the instinctive tendencies of the pupil, but are rather based upon a knowledge of the anatomy of the body and are ingeniously devised for methodically exercising the several muscular groups. The exercises of this class are well calculated to build up the man, but they are unattractive. They are hygienic, but they leave no place for pleasure, which is in itself not only a moral satisfaction to the pupil but a hygienic element indispensable to his health.

Whatever method of physical exercise is adopted we are met by one invariable condition of success, viz., that the exercises be made attractive. A class, indeed, may be made to execute certain mechanical movements, but observation teaches us that in most cases they are performed in a listless manner, with the faintest semblance of an effort. An exercise to

be beneficial must be entered upon with enthusiasm. The incentive to work must be from the individual himself and not from the instructor.

Another vital necessity is that the exercises be recreative. Too many exercises are of such a character that they not only offer no amusement and distraction in the intervals between studies, but rather add one more lesson to so many others. Such exercises, so far from accomplishing their object, tend to aggravate the very evils they were intended to remedy.

Of recreative exercises certain games are the best. Some advocates of gymnastic athletics urge that, while games furnish easy and attractive exercises, they do not require a sufficient expenditure of muscular force. This ground is not well taken. It is not muscular effort but the amount of work done that stimulates the vital functions. One may be conscious of a much greater effort in lifting a five-hundred pound weight than in playing a game of tennis; but the game, by bringing the entire muscular system into activity, calls forth a far greater expenditure of force, and that too with little apparent effort.

No perfect system of physical training has yet been devised, and no course of exercises can be chosen which would be equally applicable to all cases. From the great variety of physical exercises, so potent for good if wisely chosen, but more potent for evil if unwisely chosen, the teacher must select those best suited to the conditions of his particular case. This throws a great responsibility

upon the teacher, and shows the necessity of his being a man especially qualified for the work. When school authorities awake from their present apathy to a realizing sense of the fact that the teacher of physical exercises, who, to a large degree, has in his hands the health of the pupils under his control, must, of all teachers, be a man especially fitted for his work by a thorough course of training, and, above all, must be a man of brains and common sense, then a long step will be taken towards the solution of the problem of physical education.

TO THE VICTORS BELONG THE SPOILS.

BY M. E. JOINER, '93.

IT IS not surprising to find this the motto of nations subject to the relentless reign of war and oppression during the middle centuries, when magnanimity to an enemy was unknown, and the passions of ambition and avarice led reason captive.

Nevertheless, than these, mediæval history shows us, there can be no more fertile soil for the seed of anarchism and bloody rebellion; no more certain a cause of such a chaos of law and political institutions as the French Revolution. Yet the same motto has ordered the destiny of American politics for the past half century. If such a course is fatal to nations ruled by the iron hand of absolute monarchy, where the few only can have authority and others can scarcely hope for power, how much more dangerous must it be to a liberal republic, where the power

is in the hands of the masses and all may be moved by the feelings of ambitious hope? And indeed, to such menacing and ridiculous proportions has this relic of the "Dark Ages"—the spoils system—grown that it long has justly been the subject of severe censure and finally, a few years since, of restricting legislation, but without sufficient effect as yet, since, while both political parties make friendly promises, neither is willing to take the risk to carry their promises into execution. Still the "spoils system" is advocated by many—mostly ambitious and scheming politicians and their avaricious henchmen—on the ground that our institutions should be American and entirely democratic; that is, while we do not allow any titled nobility in name we should not allow the same thing in fact, for such it is claimed those things would be, who could get a tenure of office for an indefinite period. They hold this is not American in spirit, and that a favored few, a well-paid aristocracy, would necessarily result, thus preventing the vast majority of aspiring citizens from government recognition.

Again, they urge that we are a unique people with a peculiar government, and cannot, with safety, imitate so closely our Asiatic and European friends as the merit system would suggest. Indeed it has been recently said, by good authority, that to imitate is to make ourselves even weaker than that which we imitate. Also they claim that the party system and American politics are almost synonymous terms, and that federal patronage, by enhancing

the interest of the party system, will benefit American politics. They hold that, without rotation in office, any party is handicapped in carrying out its theories of government, and they cite, in support of this, no less authority than Andrew Jackson, who is the father of federal patronage and founded the spoils system to prevent the increasing evils of official aristocracy as he saw them. Further, they assert that Jackson's position was only a natural development of Washington's statement, when he said that he would appoint no person to a position of profit or trust in the government who differed radically from his own political views, for such a course would be suicidal.

Thus rotation in office, they assume, is a supreme political necessity to our individuality as a nation. On the other hand, civil service reform holds that nothing is un-American which will advance the interests of, increase the efficiency of service in, and lessen the expense of, government. This, Mr. Roosevelt claims to be the record of the previous ten years of reform. As to imitation of foreign powers, it is too transparent to need an answer. History shows that when English aristocracy was at its height the spoils system, not the merit system, flourished. Whether merit system is of Chinese origin, as they claim, or some other, is of little importance. The reasonable thing to do is to get the best wherever found. It is the height of folly to spurn a good thing simply because it is not original with us. Finally, they argue that the spoils system is not an

outgrowth of party necessity to avoid a luxurious official list, but due in great measure to the heated contention between the parties and to a resulting revengeful spirit. They claim that when Washington simply appointed men favorable to himself and to the constitution, because at that critical period it was urgent, for the perpetuity of the nation, to have men who would support the new constitution, it is unjust to his patriotism to say he did it for political advantage.

Now it is obvious that some sound principle is at the bottom of Jackson's rotation in office theory, but we must not be blinded to the present state of things around us. This utter confusion and scramble for petty offices, having no bearing on politics in any way, is a natural result from Jackson's principles and, possibly, also from Washington's, the difference being that they have proven a disgrace in the hands of "bosses," instead of expedient in the hands of statesmen, so that now, the growth of the nation and the constantly increasing number of clerkships demand that they be apportioned according to a fixed standard of merit, rather than by unscrupulous congressmen, for by them, and not by the executive, are the spoils divided.

The navy yards and the Indian service had both become notorious as nests of corruption for political influence and personal emolument, until the Roosevelt bill put the former on the classified list for merit appointment, and President Harrison the latter. It must be patent to all disinterested parties that such offices have no more

relation to politics than has a man's church creed.

As a last resort they attack the method of the merit system—the competitive examination. They argue that it gives unfair advantage to those just out of school or college, giving the mere bookworm easy access to good places, while it offers unnecessary obstacles to honest experience and practical worth, and, second, that the questions are not relevant to the requirements of the place.

We admit that it has its faults, but among such a host of valuable men what other way is there? Besides, it cannot be worse than the indiscriminate act of the headsman regardless of merit. But, in regard to the first argument, it is hardly a fact, since the average age of admitted applicants is thirty years, while the majority of students leave school before twenty, thus giving ten years for experience; but, even if it were true, the argument is weakened by the fact that this is an age of young men, and for the last twenty years they have acquitted themselves in a manner to warrant public confidence. As to the second, granted the questions are occasionally irrelevant, the rare exception, no question could be so irrelevant as that referring to political belief of candidate.

The merit system needs no argument more than its ten years' history, while the lamentable uncertainty of the fourth-class postmaster, attending every political campaign, proves the words of Mr. Palm that "Under the spoils system ability counts for nothing in favor of an incumbent, and lack of

it but little against the fellow clamoring after the place."

In fine, the system is unscrupulous, brutal, and expensive. It takes nearly the whole time of the President during the early part of his term, as is clearly seen in the occupation of President Cleveland for the past two months,

which should be better employed than in details concerning petty appointments, and it has no parallel in European politics. The parties will not, or dare not, stop it, as they have shown. It lies with the people whether America will continue to be, in this respect, "the civic fool of the world."

Poets' Corner.

THINGS BEAUTIFUL.

Where are the things that are beautiful—
Things that are sacred and beautiful?
To him whose soul is subjected
By lusts and passions and vices
Nothing ever is beautiful,—
Never sacred or beautiful.
But to him who hath thoughts that are holy,
Whose soul is the temple of Deity,
All things ever are beautiful,
Forever sacred and beautiful.

—F. L. P., '91.

More Christ-like as the patient years
Go by, until he find that life
So stamped upon his every thought
At last, that none save Christ-like words
His lips shall speak, and Christ-like deeds
Alone his hands shall do.
So ere he is aware, his heart's
Desire is granted, and the one
Great purpose of his life fulfilled,
To mirror faithfully to men
The image of the Christ.

—N. G. B., '91.

ATTAINMENT.

Long years an artist spent
In picturing the face of Christ.
Each year more perfect grew the face,
And still he strove, unsatisfied,
More faithfully to represent
The image stamped upon his heart,
The ideal face, that fairer grew
Each day, till all inadequate
Was human skill to dimly show
Its beauty. So the years went by.

And when he had grown old, he thought
One day to test a canvas new
A friend had sent, and idly passed
His brushes o'er its surface, all
Unheeding what he did, and lo!
Beneath his hand unconsciously
There grew the blessed face of Christ,—
The face so stamped upon his heart
Naught else his brush could paint.

Who dimly showeth forth the life
Divine from day to day, shall grow

SWEET HOME.

O that I might write a poem
Of a sweet and rural valley,
Where there stands a rustic cabin,
Which was once sweet home to me.
There the flowers are ever-blooming;
There the evergreen entwineth;
There the blithesome birds are singing;
There I lived, content and free.

Let me paint you a pen picture
Of my Eden in this valley:
Just a humble, rude log cabin
Covered o'er with flowers and vines;
On the right, a clump of thickets,
Where the frisky squirrels sported;
On the left, a shady arbor
Formed by massive towering pines.

Near the house, quite close beside it,
Was a well, with curb moss-covered.
Near it stood the "oaken bucket,"
Leaning o'er it was the sweep.
Standing near the well, o'erbending,

Was a maple tree, gigantic,
Whose immense, outspreading branches
Seemed majestic watch to keep.

Just behind the cot a river
Danced and rippled in the sunlight,
Where the fishes, unmolested,
Swam in happiness content;
Near the bank a sturdy shade tree
Stood. Its limbs a seat afforded;
There in peace, with book or pencil,
Many quiet hours I've spent.

Come with me across the river;
See the green and vernal meadow;
Here the bees and birds delighted,
Here the sweet wild-flowers grew;
Here the violets, sweet flowers,
Breathed their fragrance to the air;
Here the daisies and the lilies
Danced to tunes the breezes blew.

Linger with me here till sunset
Tints the western sky with beauty;

O behold the gold and crimson!
Is it not a glorious sight?
Seems as if ten thousand ribbons
Waved in freedom there to cheer us;
And there reaches to the river,
As it seems, a path of light.

O what beauty! O what glory!
O that I might write a poem
Which would all the hidden meaning
Of this scene to you reveal!
But they tell me a true poem
Is a thought and not a meter,
So perchance you can imagine
What I must, perforce, conceal.

Noisy city, cease your riot,
Let me wander back through thought-land;
Let me through the veil of dreaming
See my cottage by the lea.
In your realms, Imagination,
Let me be again an inmate
Of that rustic, rude log cabin
That was once "sweet home" to me.

—W. T., '96.

College News and Interests.

PRESIDENT CHENEY TO RESIGN.

IN a recent interview with a reporter of the *Lewiston Journal*, President Cheney expressed his intention to resign the presidency of the college next June.

Dr. Cheney mentioned that, at various times within six years, he has been dissuaded from this step through the influence of the trustees, but that for a long time he has intended to conclude active service with the close of the third decade of the college, which is this year, or at the expiration of forty years' service, beginning with the founding of the Maine State Seminary, which will be next year; and that, recently, duty has seemed to plainly lead him to decide upon this year.

President Cheney wished to say nothing relative to his successor.

However, in recent issues of the local dailies, mention has been made of different men in this connection; among them, prominently, Professor Chase, of the chair of English Literature. Readers of the *STUDENT* are acquainted with the unusual ability and ample experience which Professor Chase would bring to the President's chair. Rev. Dr. Martyn Summerbell, of the Main Street Free Baptist Church, is also frequently mentioned, and is a man of intellectual breadth and personal magnetism, while there is much to speak for his business capacity. Again, some urge the fitness of Professor H. S. Cowell, who, as principal

of Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass., is distinguished for tact, originality, and progressive energy. Many other suitable men have been more privately mentioned.

Great responsibility would seem to rest upon the trustees in the choice of a successor to Dr. Cheney, whose years of faithful service have been marked by untiring energy and keen foresight.

President Cheney's long and faithful service in the interests of Bates have surely earned for him a rest from his labors during the remaining years of his life, which we earnestly hope may be filled with prosperity and happiness.

BASE-BALL FUND.

The following are the names of those of the faculty, alumni, and business men of the two cities who have generously contributed to the base-ball fund this season :

Mountain Park Company, President O. B. Cheney, Prof. T. L. Angell, Prof. J. Y. Stanton, Prof. J. H. Rand, Prof. George C. Chase, Prof. L. G. Jordan, Prof. W. H. Hartshorn, Prof. B. F. Hayes, Hotel Atwood, W. H. Judkins, Samuel Hibbert, C. O. Morrell, S. P. Robie, I. N. Cox, J. R. Dunton, W. D. Pennell, W. B. Skelton, N. D. Estes, G. T. Stewart, Curtis & Ross Studio, Dr. W. B. Small, Lewiston Journal, F. L. Noble, Doyle Brothers, A. L. Grant, Nealey & Miller, Prof. A. W. Anthony, Prof. J. A. Howe, W. H. Putnam, D. J. Callahan, J. T. Small, W. A. Maney, J. W. Stetson, F. A. Morey, W. W. Clark, L. G. Roberts, A. G. Fassett, Douglass & Cook, A. D. Cornish, D. J. McGillicuddy, R. C. Pingree, H. L. Pratt, J. G. Kelley, Prof. G. B. Files, F. L. Day, Frank Kilgore, E. M. Heath, S. A. Cummings, C. P. Phenix, A. E. McDonough, W. H. Newell, Billy O'Donnell, J. H. Whitney, George W. Goss, L. C. Robbins, Daily Gazette, George Bonallie, O. L. Frisbee, Prof. I. F. Frisbee, Richardson & Packard, W. O. Eldridge, and a stranger.

Remainder of amount subscribed by college boys for Pennell and Mildram.

In addition to the above F. J. Daggett collected from the following to pay the expenses of Mildram at Boston :

Emerich, Jr., Garcelon, N. W. Howard, Cutts, Wilson, Ranger, Hopkins, Miller, F. S. Libby, William Powers, L. M. Sanborn, Principal Libby, Amesbury High School, Daggett.

LOCALS.

A PARODY.

Backward, turn backward, O Time! in thy flight,
Make me a "kid" again, just for to-night.
Give me my kite, my bat and yarn ball,
Tattered-brimmed hat, knee breeches and all;
Give me a chance to relieve my poor brain,
Or this endless plugging, 't will make me insane.

The Class Day programmes will be especially fine this year.

E. J. Hatch, '94, has been appointed to drill the classes at the Latin School in elocution.

The Tennis Tournament is now in progress to decide who shall represent Bates at Portland this year.

J. B. Hoag, '94, has been engaged to drill the students at Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, in elocution.

That new style of spring suits is growing more common every day. Wonder if it was a marked-down sale?

The Sophomores are on the usual lively (?) chase after rare botanical specimens with which to adorn their herbariums.

Several men have been putting in some good practice for the coming tennis tournament. Bates will make a good try for the cup this year at any rate.

By the recent death of Miss Annie S. Vittum of Ashland, N. H., a niece of President Cheney, five thousand dollars will be added to the permanent fund of the college within a year.

Morrill, '95, is getting a reputation as a sprinter. He ran a fast quarter against a record-breaker at Brunswick the other day, but not being in good trim, came out a few minutes behind. The crowd was wild with enthusiasm.

ONE, TWO, THREE.

He pushed the air with might and main;
Once, twice, and thrice pushed he.
Then cursed with bitter curse the day
He'd learned the "Rule of Three."

J. F. Fanning, '93, has secured a fine position as principal of the high school at Kingston, Mass., with a large salary. Mr. Fanning left college last week to assume the duties of his new position. Mr. Fanning is one of the most esteemed and popular men in college. We congratulate him on his good fortune.

We regret to learn of the death of Mr. C. B. Bailey, father of Miss Alma G. Bailey, of the Senior class, at his home on College Street, Lewiston, Sunday, May 7th, after a long illness from lung disease. The many friends of Miss Bailey in college extend their heartfelt sympathy to herself and family in this time of bereavement.

SHOULD HAVE TAKEN IT.

I begged for a kiss
As I stood on the stair.
"T was such a fair miss,
I begged for a kiss—
Alas for the bliss!
She said, "Don't you dare!"
I begged for a kiss
As I stood on the stair.

The Bates College Quartette is made up as follows: Stickney, '93, first tenor; Brown, '93, second tenor; French, '94, baritone; Wingate, '95, basso. The quartette sang to a crowded house in Stratford, N. H., Saturday evening, May 6th, and gave excellent satisfaction. The manager has made arrangements for concerts at Livermore Falls and Wilton, May 18th and 19th, when the quartette will probably be enforced by W. S. C. Russell, '95, and Miss Alice Bonney, '96, readers. The boys will also furnish music for the commencement exercises at Paris Hill in June.

The class of '95 handed in the report of their winter's work in ornithology in Professor Stanton's room, March 24th. The average number of birds identified was twelve. This average is large considering the severity of the winter and the large number of ladies in the class. A prize was awarded to each lady identifying eight or over and to each gentleman identifying twelve or over. A first and second prize was offered to the two reporting the largest and best lists. The first prize was awarded to W. S. C. Russell, who identified thirty-three land birds, and the second to James G. Morrill. A prize for best list of land and sea birds was offered; it was won by Arthur C. Hayes, who reported twenty-four. The ladies seeing eight or over, were Miss B. M. Cooper, Miss F. G. Wheeler, Miss S. L. Staples, and Miss C. M. King. The gentlemen seeing twelve or over besides those above mentioned, are T. C. Pulsifer, Geo. A. Hutchins, F. S.

Wakefield, R. F. Springer, B. L. Pettigrew, J. E. Mason, S. M. Farnum, Jr., and W. W. Bolster. Professor Stanton offered a first and second prize for the best winter sketch containing twenty-five hundred words. The first prize was awarded to W. S. C. Russell, and the second to Miss M. A. W. Cross.

The array of talent which has been engaged for the annual Commencement Concert is already attracting the attention of the music-loving people of western Maine. Cyril Tyler stands first, of course—the boy whose wonderful voice has delighted thousands of people in every city where he has appeared. He gets \$300 for this engagement, and comes all the way from his home in Detroit, Mich., for this one night. As a violinist the committee have engaged the celebrated Otto Clotilde Scheda, of New York, the Austrian virtuoso, whom prominent critics have ranked with Remenyi and Maud Powers. He is to use for the evening's entertainment a violin loaned to him for the occasion and said to be the finest in the country. Mrs. Nella Brown-Pond, the elocutionist, is generally conceded to stand at the head of her profession in the United States. Those who have visited Chautauqua will remember her readings with pleasure. She took first prize at a convention of elocutionists held in New York last summer. The Temple Male Quartette, of Boston, so long and favorably known, has been thoroughly reorganized and will appear at the concert. The quartette are now doing better work than ever. This organization is

the great favorite of the Masonic order in Boston. Taken altogether this aggregation of talent cannot fail to fill Music Hall to overflowing. Special rates have been secured on all the railroads. By sending to some member of the committee of arrangements, visiting alumni can provide for their seats beforehand, and men will be in line to secure them at the time of the exchange of certificates. The following is the committee: Ralph A. Sturges, James B. McFadden, Miss Clara G. Callahan. This is the thirtieth anniversary of the college, and especial pains have been taken to provide something especially fine for the pleasure of the large numbers who will undoubtedly be here for Commencement week. Notwithstanding the quality of the concert, however, the old scale of prices has been maintained, at 50 cents, 75 cents, and \$1.60.

BASE-BALL.

The base-ball season at Bates opened Fast Day, April 20th, with two games. In the forenoon Bates defeated the Presumpscots with a score of 16 to 3. In the afternoon our team had a picked nine from Lewiston as opponents and were again victorious, the score being, Bates, 13; Lewiston, 9. A large crowd was in attendance at both games, and everything looked encouraging for a season of victories. But ere long some of this feeling of elation was taken from us.

Tufts came down and played the Bates team, Tuesday, April 25th, and

this time we were defeated. The score :

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., l.f.,	5	1	3	7	1	0	2
Campbell, c.f., . .	3	2	1	4	0	0	0
Douglass, 2b., . .	5	2	1	1	6	2	1
Pennell, 1b., . .	2	2	1	1	8	1	1
Brackett, s.s., . .	3	1	2	2	3	1	2
Hoffman, c., . .	4	1	1	2	4	4	1
Pulsifer, l.f., 3b.,	4	0	0	0	2	3	0
Sims, r.f., . .	5	0	1	1	0	0	1
Mildram, p., . .	4	0	0	0	2	6	2
Totals, . .	34	9	10	18	26*	17	10

*Haynes out for cutting second.

TUFTS.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Foss, 2b.,	2	2	1	1	4	0	1
Corridon, s.s., . .	3	2	1	1	1	4	2
Haynes, r.f., . . .	4	0	1	1	1	0	2
Martin, 1b., . . .	5	1	1	1	6	0	0
Clayton, l.f., . . .	5	2	1	1	0	1	1
Mallett, c., . . .	4	2	0	0	9	3	0
Johnston, 3b., . .	4	1	1	1	3	0	1
Wilson, p., . . .	5	0	1	1	1	6	0
Stroud, c.f., . . .	5	1	0	0	1	0	2
Totals, . .	37	11	7	7	26*	14	9

*Brackett out for cutting third.

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Tufts, . . .	0	0	1	3	2	2	2	0	1—11
Bates, . . .	0	3	2	0	1	0	3	0	0—9

Two-base hit—Hoffman. Three-base hits—Wakefield 2. Home runs—Haynes, Campbell. Sacrifice hits—Haynes, Mallett. Stolen bases—Foss 2, Haynes, Martin, Mallett, Johnston 2, Stroud, Wakefield, Pennell, Hoffman. Double plays—Pulsifer, Douglass, and Pennell. Base on balls—Wilson 9, by Mildram 3. Struck out—by Wilson, Wakefield, Campbell, Pulsifer, Sims, Mildram; by Mildram, Clayton, Johnston. Passed balls—Mallett 4, Hoffman 2. Wild pitch—Wilson. Time—2 hours 25 minutes. Umpires—McManus, Russ.

The Maine College League season opened for us on Saturday, April 29th, by a game with Bowdoin on the home grounds. Great Scott, what a drubbing! Inability to find Plaisted's curves, and Mildy's lack of confidence when facing the Bowdoin, together

with inexcusable errors, lost us the game. The score will tell the rest:

BOWDOIN.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Fairbanks, 3b., . .	6	5	3	7	2	2	0
Savage, 1b., . . .	4	4	4	5	9	0	0
Hinkley, l.f., . . .	7	2	1	1	1	0	0
Hutchinson, s.s., .	5	2	0	0	1	2	2
Allen, c.,	7	1	1	1	9	4	4
Sykes, 2b.,	3	2	1	1	5	2	2
Williams, r.f., . .	6	3	2	5	0	0	0
Chapman, c.f., . .	5	3	2	2	0	0	1
Plaisted, p., . . .	6	2	0	0	0	4	0
Totals, . . .	49	24	14	22	27	14	8

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., . .	2	3	1	1	1	5	4
Campbell, c.f., . .	5	0	1	1	4	0	1
Hoffman, 2b., . .	4	2	1	4	0	2	2
Pennell, 1b., . . .	3	0	0	0	11	0	0
Brackett, r.f., . .	3	1	0	0	0	0	0
Douglass, s.s., . .	4	0	0	0	2	2	2
Pulsifer, l.f., 3b.,	4	0	0	0	1	0	2
Gerrish, c., . . .	1	0	0	0	7	1	0
Mildram, p., . . .	2	0	0	0	1	1	1
Berryman, p., . .	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
Totals, . . .	30	6	3	6	27	12	15

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bowdoin, . . .	2	3	5	0	4	8	0	1	1—24
Bates,	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0—6

Earned runs—Bowdoin, 4; Bates, 1. Two-base hits—Fairbanks, Savage. Home runs—Fairbanks, Williams, Hoffman. Stolen bases—Fairbanks 2, Savage 3, Sykes, Williams, Wakefield 5, Pennell 2, Campbell, Brackett, Gerrish 3, Pulsifer. Sacrifice hits—Fairbanks, Hinkley, Hutchinson, Allen, Sykes, Williams, Plaisted. First base on balls—by Plaisted, Wakefield 3, Hoffman, Pennell, Brackett 2, Gerrish 3; by Mildram, Savage, Hutchinson 2, Sykes, Williams, Chapman 2, Plaisted. Struck out—by Plaisted, Wakefield, Campbell 2, Hoffman, Pennell, Brackett, Douglass 3, Gerrish, Mildram, Berryman; by Mildram, Hutchinson, Plaisted; by Berryman, Fairbanks, Savage, Hinkley, Hutchinson, Chapman. Passed balls—Gerrish 3. Wild Pitches—Plaisted 1, Mildram 6, Berryman 1. Hit by pitched ball—by Berryman, Savage. Time—2 hours 40 minutes. Umpire—S. J. Kelley.

Our second game in the championship series took place Friday, May 5th, on

the home grounds, against Maine State College. The latter team was especially weak in the pitcher's department, and the score shows the result :

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., . .	7	4	5	9	3	2	0
Campbell, c.f., . .	7	4	2	2	1	0	0
Hoffman, c., . . .	6	3	2	3	9	2	0
Pennell, 1b., . . .	8	5	6	7	9	1	0
Brackett, s.s., . .	5	5	3	3	1	2	1
Gerrish, r.f., . . .	5	3	2	2	0	0	0
Douglass, 2b., . .	8	4	4	4	2	1	1
Pulsifer, l.f., . . .	6	3	4	5	2	0	0
Mildram, p., l.f., .	5	3	1	1	0	3	1
Berryman, p., . .	3	1	1	3	0	0	0
Totals,	60	35	30	39	27	11	3

M. S. C.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Durham, 1b., . . .	5	0	0	0	6	0	2
Palmer, 3b., . . .	3	1	1	2	1	1	2
French, r.f., . . .	4	0	0	0	2	0	3
Hayes, p.,	4	2	1	1	0	6	1
Smith, s.s., . . .	4	0	1	2	1	2	2
Frost, l.f., . . .	5	1	1	1	2	0	2
DeHaseth, c., . . .	2	0	0	0	4	1	1
Farrell, 2b., . . .	3	0	0	0	6	2	0
Ricker, c.f., . . .	4	0	2	2	2	0	1
Totals,	34	4	6	8	24	12	14

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bates,	4	0	11	6	0	6	8	0	x—35
M. S. C.,	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0—4

Earned runs—Bates, 8. Two-base hits—Wakefield, Hoffman, Pennell, Palmer, Pulsifer, Smith. Three-base hit—Berryman. Home run—Wakefield. Sacrifice hits—Berryman, Farrell. Stolen bases—Campbell, Pennell 3, Brackett, Douglass 2, Pulsifer, Mildram, Berryman. Base on balls—Wakefield, Campbell, Hoffman 2, Brackett 3, Pulsifer, Mildram 2, Palmer 2, French, Hayes, Smith, DeHaseth 3, Farrell. Struck out—Wakefield, Pennell, Smith 2, Farrell, Ricker. Wild pitches—Hayes, Berryman. Passed ball—Hoffman. Time—2h. 30m. Umpire—S. J. Kelley.

Bates went down to Waterville, Saturday, May 6th, and defeated the Colbys, 15 to 8. The old excuse brought over from 1892—inability to bat at critical points and costly errors

in the field—was the cause of Colby's defeat. Mildram was finely supported. The score :

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., . .	5	1	2	4	5	1	1
Campbell, c.f., . .	5	1	1	1	1	0	0
Hoffman, c., . . .	3	3	0	0	10	2	0
Pennell, 1b., . . .	5	0	1	2	5	0	2
Brackett, s.s., . .	3	2	1	1	2	2	2
Gerrish, r.f., . . .	5	1	0	0	1	0	0
Douglass, 2b., . .	2	4	2	2	1	1	3
Pulsifer, l.f., . . .	5	2	1	1	1	0	1
Mildram, p., . . .	5	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals,	48	15	8	11	26	9	9

COLBY.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Hall, 1b.,	5	1	0	0	8	1	1
Hoxie, 2b., . . .	3	1	1	1	2	2	1
Latlip, l.f., . . .	5	0	0	0	2	0	0
Lombard, c.f., . .	4	2	2	2	2	0	0
Purinton, r.f., . .	5	1	1	1	2	0	0
Coffin, c.,	5	0	3	5	4	3	1
Nichols, 3b., . . .	4	1	0	0	2	2	4
Jackson, s.s., . .	3	2	0	0	4	2	2
Whitman, p., . . .	5	0	0	0	0	3	1
Totals,	39	8	7	9	24	13	10

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Bates,	0	0	5	1	4	0	2	3—15
Colby,	0	1	0	2	2	2	1	0—8

Earned runs—Bates, Colby. Two-base hit—Pennell. Three-base hits—Coffin, Wakefield. Stolen bases—Hall 2, Coffin, Nichols, Campbell 2, Hoffman, Brackett 2, Douglass 5, Pulsifer. First base on balls—Hoxie 2, Nichols, Jackson 2, Hoffman 2, Brackett, Douglass. First base on errors—Hall, Latlip, Purinton 2, Jackson, Whitman, Wakefield, Campbell, Hoffman, Gerrish, Pulsifer 2, Mildram. Struck out—Hoxie, Latlip 2, Purinton, Coffin, Nichols, Whitman 3, Hoffman, Pulsifer. Double play—Hoxie and Hall. Passed balls—Hoffman 4, Coffin 2. Wild pitch—Mildram. Hit by pitched ball—Lombard, Brackett, Douglass 2. Time—2 hours 45 minutes. Umpire—Kelley, of Lewiston.

On Wednesday, May 10th, the Bates team met the Bowdoin for the second time this season, on the Delta in Brunswick. It was very much the story of the first game repeated, and Bowdoin

scored another comparatively easy victory. The score :

BATES.							
	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., .	5	0	2	2	2	2	2
Campbell, c.f., .	4	0	1	1	1	1	1
Hoffman, c. . .	4	0	0	0	6	0	2
Pennell, 1b., .	3	1	0	0	8	0	0
Brackett, s.s., .	3	1	0	0	3	4	1
Gerrish, l.f., .	3	1	1	1	2	0	0
Douglass, r.f., .	3	0	0	0	0	1	1
Pulsifer, 2b., .	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mildram, p., .	4	1	1	1	1	2	0
Totals, . . .	31	3	5	5	24	10	8

BOWDOIN.							
	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Fairbanks, 3b., .	5	3	3	3	2	1	1
Savage, 1b., . .	4	4	2	3	11	0	0
Hinkley, l.f., . .	5	3	4	8	1	0	0
Williams, r.f., s.s.,	4	1	1	3	0	1	0
Sykes, 2b., . . .	4	2	1	2	3	5	1
Allen, c.,	4	2	2	4	6	0	2
Farrington, r.f., .	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chapman, c.f., . .	6	1	2	2	0	0	0
Hutchinson, s.s., c.,	5	3	3	3	4	1	0
Plaisted, p., . . .	5	2	2	3	0	2	0
Totals,	44	21	20	31	27	10	4

Earned runs—Bowdoin, 10. Two-base hits—Savage, Sykes, Plaisted. Three-base hits—Hinkley 2, Williams, Allen. Sacrifice hits—Fairbanks, Savage, Williams 2, Sykes, Douglass, Pulsifer. Stolen bases—Fairbanks 2, Hinkley 2, Sykes 2, Chapman, Hutchinson, Plaisted, Pennell, Douglass, Pulsifer. Double play—Sykes and Savage. Base on balls—Savage, Hinkley, Sykes, Pennell, Brackett, Gerrish. Hit by pitched ball—Pulsifer. Struck out—by Plaisted, Campbell, Hoffman 2, Pennell 2, Douglass, Pulsifer; by Mildram, Farrington 2, Sykes, Hutchinson. Passed ball—Allen. Wild pitches—Mildram, 2. Time—2h. 15m. Umpire—S. J. Kelley of Lewiston.

A brief history of the other games in the league up to date is as follows: April 29th, Colby defeated M. S. C. at Waterville. Score: 17 to 7. May 3d, Bowdoin defeated Colby at Brunswick. Score: 10 to 1. May 6th, Bowdoin defeated M. S. C. at Brunswick. Score: 15 to 2. May 10th, M. S. C. defeated Colby at Bangor. Score:

9 to 8. The standing of the four teams at present:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per Cent.
Bowdoin,	4	4	0	1.000
Bates,	4	2	2	.500
Colby,	4	1	3	.250
M. S. C.,	4	1	3	.250

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Rev. A. E. Cox, '85, has a contribution in the last *Missionary Helper*.

Mandeville Holman, of the Junior class, preaches regularly at Dixfield.

Everybody enjoyed the reception given by Mrs. Cheney, Monday evening, May 8th.

Rev. T. H. Stacy, '79, of Auburn, has received a call to Bangor, but has declined to go.

Rev. J. G. Adams, '81, has accepted a call to Gilmanton, N. H. He began his work there May 1st.

Rev. E. W. Churchill, '92, preached the annual sermon before the Odd Fellows of Madison, April 23d.

Rev. F. W. Snell, '92, at the recent M. E. Conference was transferred from West Paris to Kingfield, Me.

Rev. J. E. Goseline, '89, of Presque Isle, contributes a criticism of a recent article in the *Homiletic Review* for May.

Rev. F. H. Peckham, '75, has been supplying for several months the pulpit of the Free Baptist church in Great Falls, N. H.

Rev. G. A. Downey, of the Junior class, has been engaged to supply the pulpit of the Free Baptist church in Lisbon for one year.

Rev. C. G. Mosher, '91, was in town recently during his vacation. He will begin his pastorate in Worcester, Mass., the middle of this month.

Rev. G. M. Wilson, '91, of Milo, has received and accepted a call to Kempton, N. S., his native place. He will leave Milo about June 1st.

Rev. G. N. Musgrove, '84, pastor of the Jefferson Street Free Baptist Church, Biddeford, has been confined to his home by sickness, but is about again.

H. J. Piper, of the Junior class, is teaching for the present term in Lyndon Institute, Lyndon, Vt. He expects to return in time for the examination in June.

Several of the students accepted the invitation to attend the reception of the Lend-a-Hand Club, Wednesday evening, May 10th. All who were there report a pleasant time.

Rev. J. A. Wiggin, '87, recently of East Rochester, N. H., has accepted a call to Danville, N. H., succeeding Rev. J. A. Lowell, one of the trustees of the

college, who has been disabled by paralysis.

Mrs. Ladd, of the Junior class, has been obliged to withdraw from the school because of the appointment of her husband, who has been Presiding Elder of the Lewiston district, to a charge in Kansas.

Rev. M. H. Babcock, of the Middle Class, will discontinue preaching for a time in order to give his whole time to the school work. The church in East Otisfield, which he has been supplying, is sorry to lose the services of Mr. Babcock.

Professor Howe will represent the denomination at the Parliament of Religions of the Religious Congress in connection with the World's Fair. The dates fixed for this Parliament are September 11-27th. All the Christian religious bodies will have delegates there, and also it is expected that scholarly representatives of Buddhism, Confucianism, Tauism, Shintoism, of various forms of Hinduism, of Parseeism, of Mohammedism, and of Judaism will participate in this memorable Parliament.

Alumni Department.

PERSONALS.

'73.—E. R. Angell, Derry, N. H., State Chemist for New Hampshire, has won distinction in his profession by his skillful analysis of the contents of the human stomach in connection with recent trials for murder in that State.

'75.—In the recent session of the

Maine Legislature, A. M. Spear, President of the Senate, made a powerful speech in opposition to the "Sectarian Amendment."

'76.—W. H. Adams, M. D., is having a large practice in Kingston, Mass. He is a member of the school board of Kingston.

'76.—Rev. T. H. Stacy, of Auburn, has been invited to the pastorate of the Essex Street Church, Bangor. He has decided not to accept.

'78.—C. E. Hussey is superintendent of schools, Natick, Mass.

'78.—H. A. Rundlett, 32 Snow Hill, London, E. C., England, finds time, after attending to his duties as chemist, to keep up his studies in Philology and Ethnology. He is much interested in Russian and Old Norse.

'81.—W. P. Foster and family have spent the winter in Boston. During the summer months they expect to be in Weld, Me.

'81.—C. S. Haskell is to spend the summer at the Chicago Exhibition. His work as an educator at Jersey City is receiving flattering recognition.

'82.—Rev. C. E. Mason will close his five years' pastorate with the Essex Street Free Baptist Church, in Bangor, the last Sunday in May. Under his leadership the church has manifested unusual prosperity. He is to locate in the West.

'83.—John L. Reade is editor of the *Auburn Daily Gazette*.

'83.—O. L. Frisbee will be manager of the Glen House the coming season. He is now on a trip through the West and South in the interest of this hotel. An article from his pen, on "Rambles in Scotland," appeared in the *Portsmouth (N. H.) Journal*, of April 15th.

'83.—Rev. John C. Perkins, successor to the late Rev. Thomas Hill, D.D., in the pastorate of the First Parish Church, Portland, has proved to be the man for the position. A

generous addition has lately been made to his salary.

'83.—W. F. Cowell, engaged in a prosperous banking business in Kansas, will spend some months at his former home in Gardiner, Me., his presence there being made necessary by the death of his father.

'83.—Miss E. R. Little (Mrs. Clarke), after spending some weeks with her parents in Lewiston, has returned to her home in Kingston, N. H.

'85.—F. A. Morey, city solicitor of Lewiston, has won general approval by his vigorous treatment of violations of the prohibitory law.

'85.—A. F. Gilbert has accepted the principalship of the Adams School in Newton, Mass.

'86.—E. D. Varney, principal of the school at Fort Collins, Col., will enter the Divinity School of Chicago University next fall.

'86.—W. A. Morton, M.D., is spoken of by the papers of Brooklyn, N. Y., as the leading colored physician of that city. A recent medical paper of Dr. Morton's has attracted considerable attention. His address is 395 Gold Street.

'87.—Walter C. Buck died at Washington, D. C., April 28th. He had recently passed the final examination at the Columbia Medical College, and was to have taken his degree in a few days. The first prize for rank in his class was to be awarded to him. His funeral occurred Tuesday, May 2d, at the Free Baptist church at his old home, Milton, N. H. The bearers were L. G. Roberts, A. S. Littlefield, A. S. Woodman, and J. R. Dunton, of '87, Elmer

Brackett, '85, and Fred Cutts, of Newburyport, Mass. A memorial by one of his classmates will appear in the next issue of the STUDENT.

'87.—J. R. Dunton has accepted the superintendency of schools, Rockland, Me.

'87.—Rev. Jesse Bailey, Southern Pines, N. C., has had another attack of congestion of the lungs, and has obtained release from his pastoral duties until September 1st. He is again improving, and is full of courage for the future.

'87.—E. K. Sprague, M.D., has recently been appointed assistant surgeon in the U. S. Marine Hospital service, at a salary of \$1,960, with pay increasing with length of service. Out of twenty doctors who were before the Examining Board, Mr. Sprague was one of three to make the required percentage. He has been put in charge of a hospital at Charleston, S. C., an unusual distinction for so young a man.

'87.—Ira Jenkins is principal of the high school, Provincetown, Mass.

'88.—A very interesting letter from Venice, written by Miss N. B. Jordan, is published in the last number of *Our*

Dayspring. Miss Jordan and her sister, Dora, class of '90, sailed for America the middle of this month.

'90.—W. F. Garcelon, of the Harvard Law School, won the 220-yard hurdle race at Harvard, the 6th inst., in 26 seconds. He will represent Harvard on the Mott-Haven team in the contest at New York, May 27th, between Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and the University of Pennsylvania.

'91.—F. J. Chase was admitted to the Androscoggin Bar, after passing a highly creditable examination, at the recent term of court in Auburn.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, In the divine order of events death has removed a beloved member of the Eurosophian Society, William C. Buck;

Resolved, That we, the members of the Eurosophian Society of Bates College, bear testimony to his intellectual worth and manly qualities, and hereby express our deep sorrow for his untimely death;

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his relatives and friends;

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the BATES STUDENT and a copy be sent to the family of our deceased friend.

J. C. WOODMAN,
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College Notes.

At DePauw University twenty-three students were recently expelled for playing billiards.

Seven of President Cleveland's cabinet officers are men with a college education.

The custom of wearing the cap and

gown has been adopted by the Senior classes of Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Williams, and Dartmouth.

Professor Hooper, of Tufts, is trying an unusual experiment in his class in electricity. Each member is required to conduct one recitation in all its

details. The result is watched by the students with general interest.

The clock struck one, he had to go,
He'd pressed his suit with ardor;
One consolation though, by Joe,
He pressed her suit still harder.—*Ex.*

The Yale Freshmen have formed a Boy's Club, the object of which is to provide occupation for boys who are accustomed to spend their evenings about the streets.

College Exchanges.

THE national game has burst upon us in all its fury. Our exchanges are deluged with it. And when we think that this is but the beginning of the storm, we feel a cold, benumbing horror seize upon our very heart-strings. We are not unpatriotic—don't think that for a moment. We idolize baseball. But when it comes to reading several hundred papers every month, each with a more or less complete report of several dozen ball-games—O, pray deliver us from such a doom.

A recent number of the *Amherst Student* contains the report of a meeting of the College Senate, at which the following resolution was offered and discussed:

While recognizing that the Senate has no final jurisdiction over this matter, yet be it

Resolved, That we, its members, as the authorized representatives of the under-graduates of the college, desire to place on record our firm conviction that for the best interests of the religious life of the college, required attendance at worship should be abolished; and be it

Resolved, That we hereby recommend that the authorities of the college take immediate action with this end in view.

Several of the senators then spoke in favor of the resolution, urging that compulsory attendance at religious exercises tended to harden rather than to benefit those who were not interested

in religious work, and that there was a prejudice against it, even among the Christian students. President Gates, on the contrary, took the ground that no Christian student could object to what was manifestly a part of his duty, and that if attendance at religious services was made optional, a certain class of under-graduates would cast off every restraining and uplifting influence of which there was so much need. In the vote that followed, the Senate was unanimously in favor of the resolution. For the reasons given above, however, it was vetoed by President Gates.

If the writer of the "Book of Frat.", or at least that part of it that appeared in the *Occident* of March 31st, was trying to violate every feeling of good taste and decency, he succeeded remarkably well. It was certainly the most disgusting stuff that it has ever been our misfortune to meet in any college publication. When one can find no better subject for his wit (?) than God and His commandments, he had better cease to be witty. We cannot understand how any editor-in-chief could permit a thing so wretched to be published in a paper under his supervision.

The "Mask and Wig" number of

the *University Courier*, in honor of the performance of "The Yankee League" by the Mask and Wig Club of the University of Pennsylvania, is without doubt the most noticeable of this month's exchanges. Its numerous cuts bring to our mind faint remembrances of Mother Goose, and more recent recollections of the circus bill-board. It is out of the ordinary line of college papers, and so it is especially attractive.

The *Central Collegian* is one of our

most welcome visitors. Always good, the April issue is of unusual merit. Every one of the six literary articles that appear under its various departments are of real excellence. The paper reflects credit upon the college which it represents.

We trust that the editors of the *Oberlin Review* will not take it amiss when we suggest that their number of May 3d seemed slightly "twisted." It was a mistake of the printers, of course, and no fault of theirs.

Magazine Notices.

THERE is no better magazine in America devoted to amateur sport, travel and recreation, than *Outing*. The principal article for May is "Kings and Queens of the Turf." It is illustrated with cuts of noted trotters. "The Toltec Idol" is a story of Mexican adventure by T. Philip Terry. It relates the underground adventures of a small party of treasure-seekers, in that land of semi-mystery. "The Letter of Credit," by Charles C. Nott, Jr., "A Jack-Rabbit Chase," by Belle Hunt, and "How the Major Learned to Fish," by John E. Gunckel, are short but spicy stories. H. Prescott Beach answers in a very practical manner the question, "How to Catch the Wily Trout." It is pleasant to read a few pages of common-sense advice on the subject, after so many theories that ought to be true but are not. "Starting and Starters," by John Corbin, is an account of the methods and successes of our best sprinters. He cites

instances to show that a quick start frequently wins the race. Travel and adventure receive their share of attention, while poetry is by no means neglected.

The leading article in the *New England Magazine* for May is "New England Art at the World's Fair," by William Howe Downes. It is worth reading by all who are to attend the fair. "Phillips Brooks and Harvard University," by Alexander McKenzie, D.D., is a biographical-historical sketch of the connection between the late divine and Harvard. This number also presents "Milton as an Educator," by Brooks himself. Much information can be had from "Life and Study at the Naval Academy," by Walter G. Richardson, U.S. N. John W. Pratt gives another illustration of the rapid growth of our Western cities, in "The City of Seattle." This number also contains many short stories and poems, giving life and variety to the magazine.



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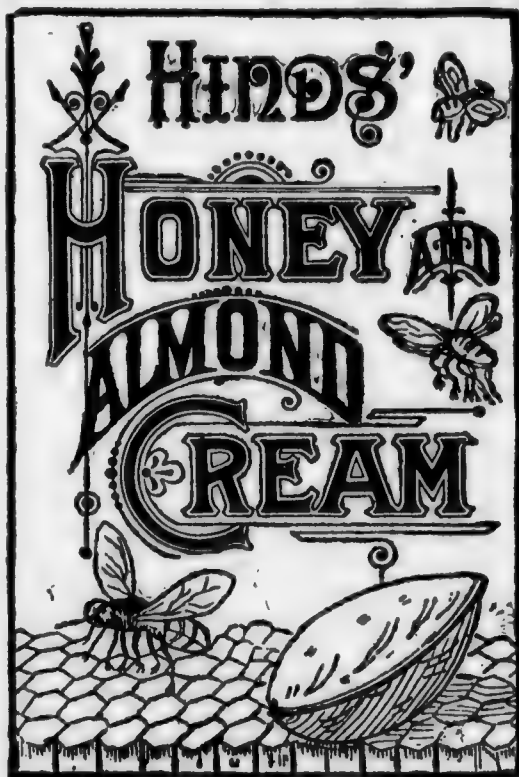
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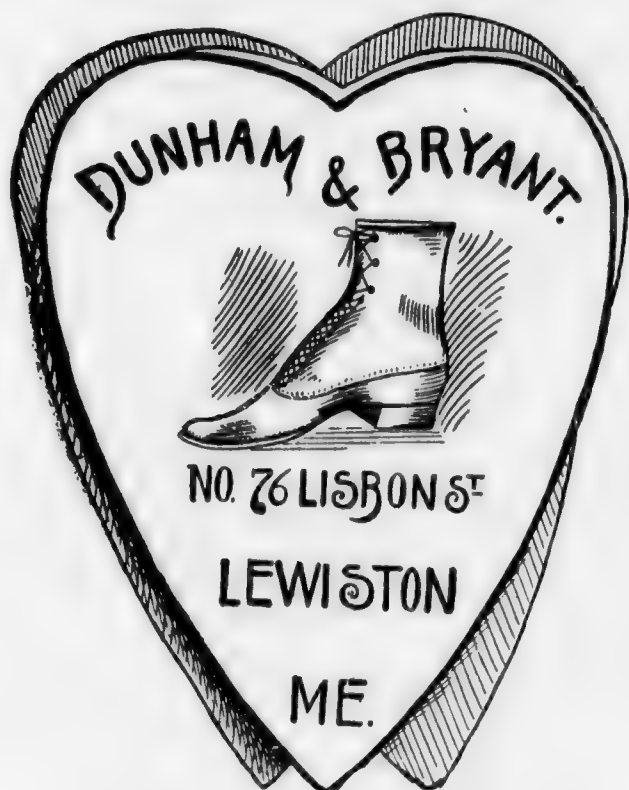
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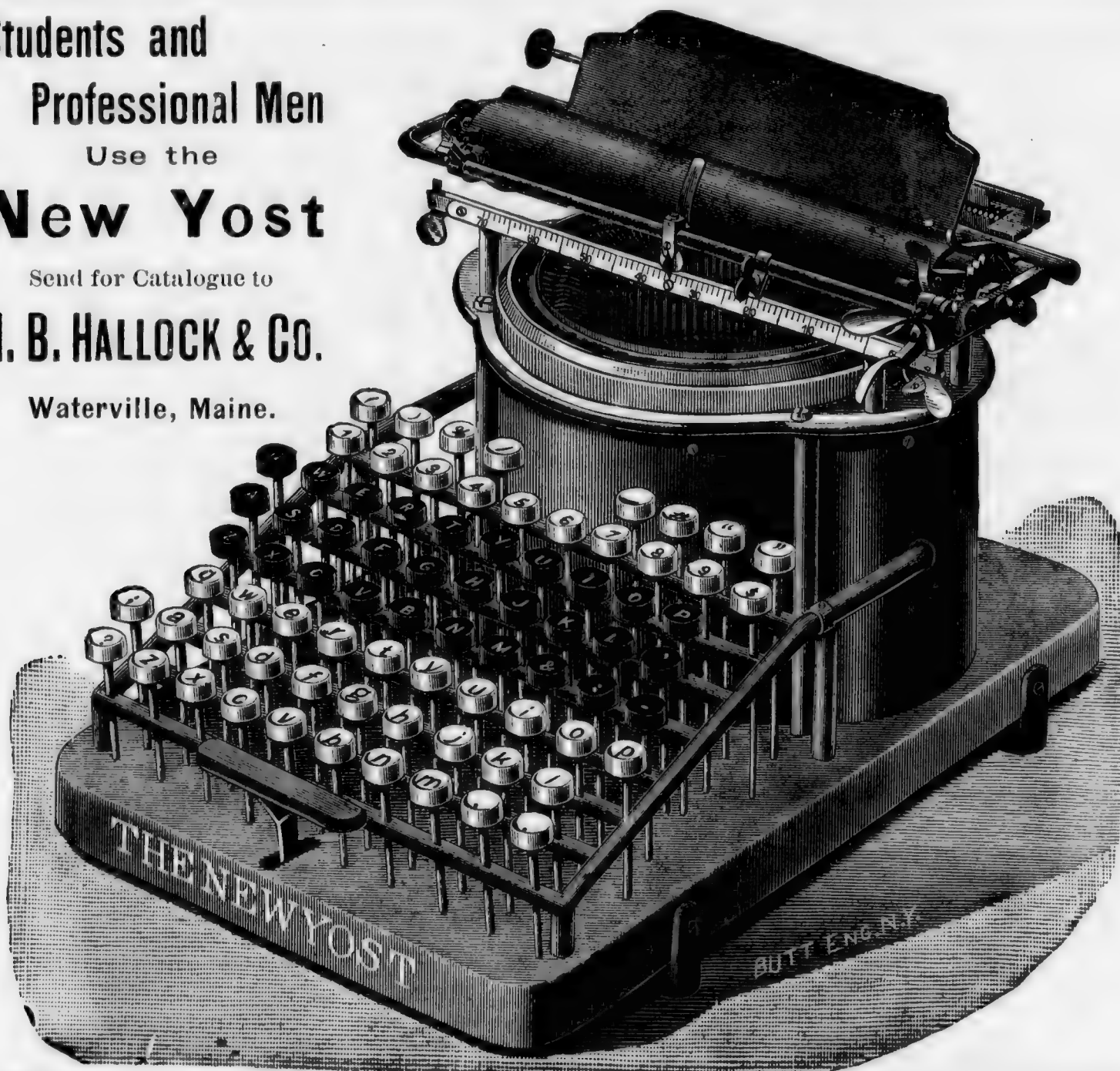
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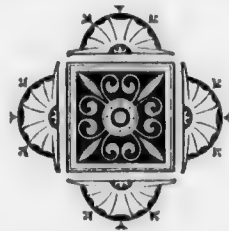
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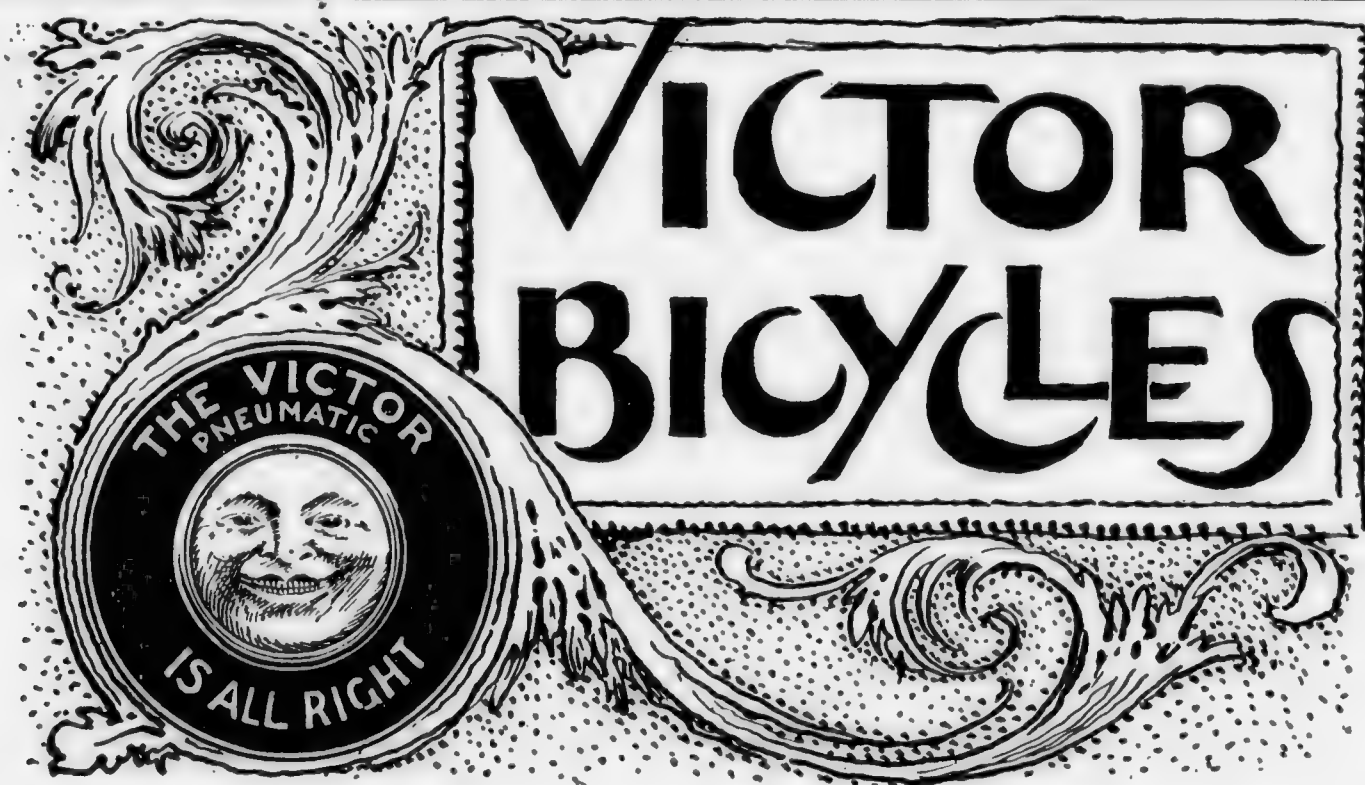
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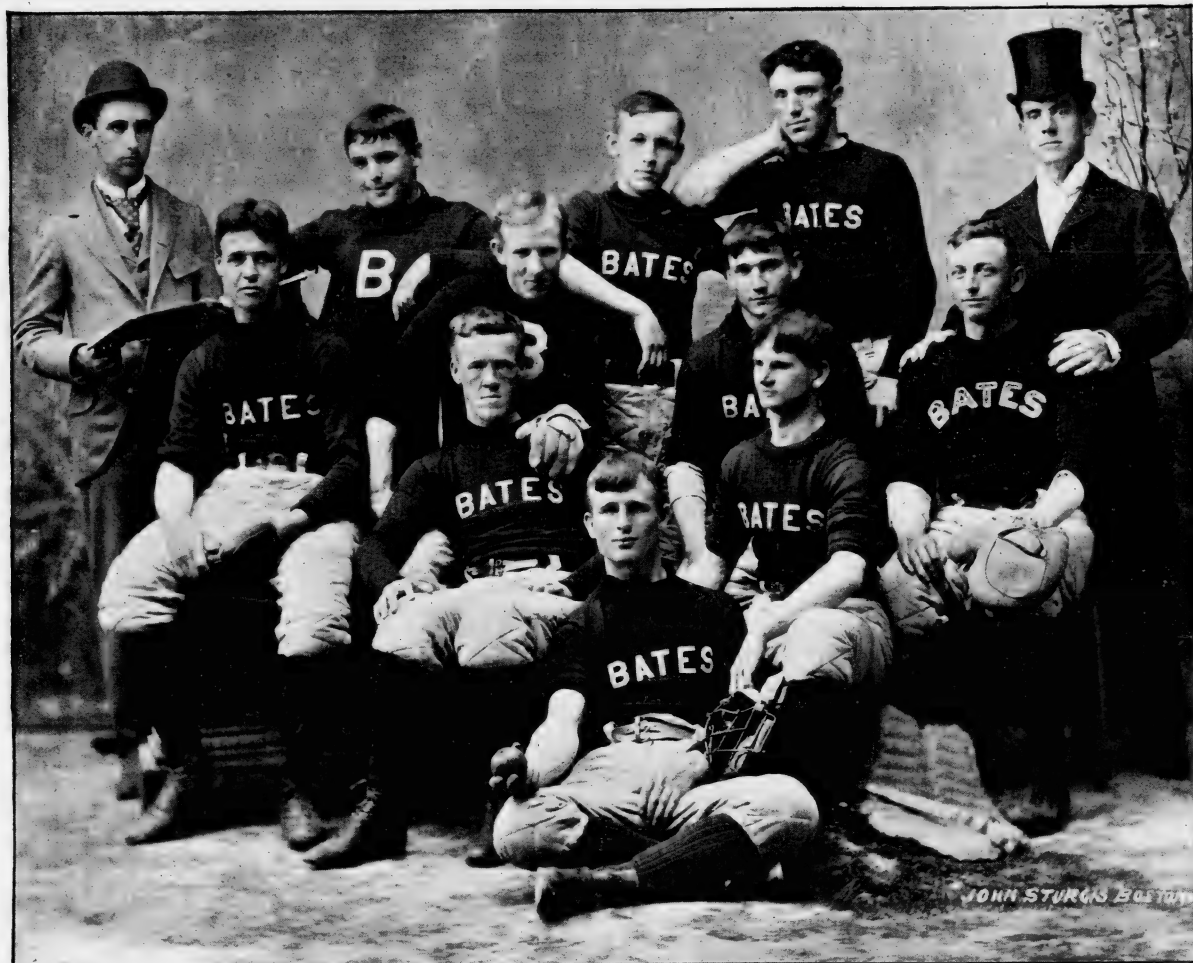
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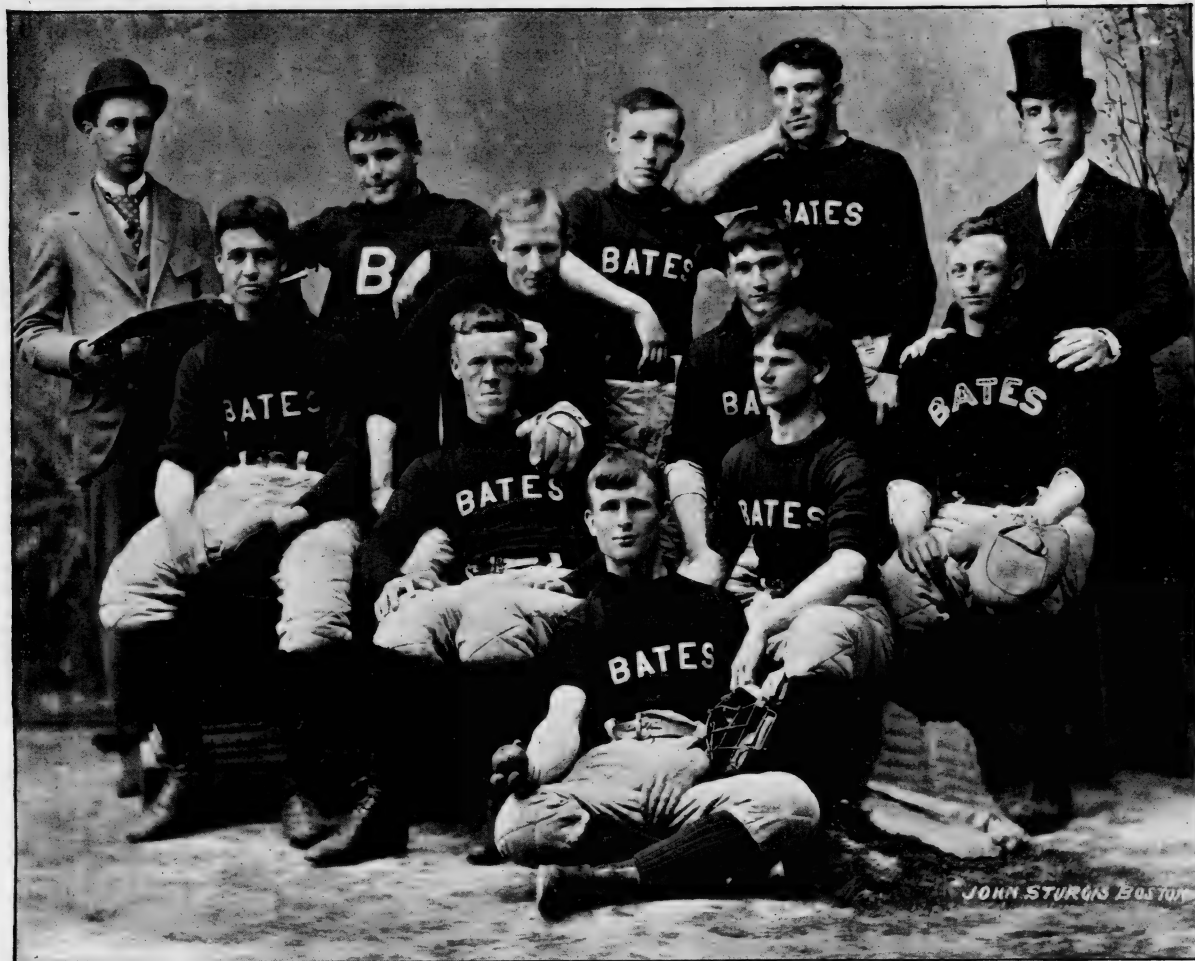
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filled the posts of honor. While we
cannot lightly reflect that for the last
time we have struggled against the boys
of '93 for coveted class honors, and
that side by side with them we will
never again fight for Bates laurels, and
while we must regret the loss of

brilliant scholars, enthusiastic athletes, accomplished musicians, and sincere friends ; yet, hoping that '94 will gracefully step into senioric dignity, that '95 will complacently lay aside the tattered raiment of sophomoreic strife, that '96 will reverently gird on the armor of class promotion, and that in increased numbers the salutatorians and valedictorians of high school and academy will seek the advantages of Bates, let us bid '93 a cheerful adieu. May life's struggles bring to them happiness, to their *Alma Mater* honor, and to us as associates pleasure and delight. In actual life may they be as loyal to Bates College as in college life they have been to the class of '93.

Even more forcibly are we impressed by another scene. As for the last time we see Dr. Cheney award the hard-earned diploma we can but sing a hymn of love for a man whose life has been imbued with a single purpose, a single aim. Where in the history of education is there a more devoted, faithful, and energetic supporter than Bates has had in her honored and retiring President?

WE ARE of the opinion that in order to be up to the times and bring out the proper amount of college spirit, next fall should see a field fitted up for foot-ball practice, and a good eleven organized. There are no good reasons why this thing cannot be brought to pass, provided the majority of the students desire it. And it is more than probable that the majority next fall will be in favor of foot-ball at Bates. A new class will be here

fresh from the various fitting schools, and all alive with college enthusiasm. There will be nothing to gain if this is put off for another year. There is a great deal to lose, for the other colleges of the State will only be gaining more experience and getting still farther beyond us in this direction. Wake up, boys, and see what can be done during Commencement week to aid the matter financially. And more than all don't forget to bring your enthusiasm back with you next fall.

SHALL I become a specialist? is a question which every collegian, sooner or later, asks of himself. There is no doubt that in all professions specialists have come to stay. They are largely the product of recent years, and the fact that their number has gradually increased, as well as their skill and competency, is proof that they are in popular demand. Not only has this need been felt by the public but it has been met by the professions in providing special courses of instruction.

The student may be dissatisfied with some parts of the prescribed course, thinking that he is to gain very little by pursuing certain studies. It is then that he questions the wisdom of leaving college and entering upon special work. It seems to the writer that such men make a serious mistake. If one is to become a specialist in any line he can find some portion of his college work bearing directly upon his specialty, be it language, mathematics, or one of the sciences. If he disposes of his time judiciously, every student may

devote a portion of each day to something outside of his regular duties.

We have men at Bates who are doing this with pleasure and profit to themselves without injury to their class work. One man makes a special study of mineralogy. Never will he have a better opportunity, for a well-equipped laboratory is at his command for the analyses of minerals. Another is interested in the birds. He learns their nomenclature and studies their song and habits. In this way a student can combine exercise with knowledge pleasantly acquired. Such work, unlike that of the class-room, does not weary the mind but turns it from routine work to the investigation of things new and interesting.

How much better it would be for many of our students if they would follow some such course as suggested instead of idling around the campus in recreation hours.

COMMENCEMENT week embraces much more than the exodus of another class from college life. It is important in that it is the season when the alumni annually return to renew associations and acquaintances which it would be difficult to keep up in any other way. It is the one time in the year when the graduate and undergraduate come in contact; when the student may meet those with whose names he has become familiar through the rolls of former members of his society, and old catalogues and programmes. We are sorry to see that many of the members of the lower classes, after their examinations, hurry

to their homes. Those who do not remain during Commencement week lose not only the exercises of the week, which are educating in themselves, but also an important incentive to their work for the ensuing year.

The STUDENT sees illustrated in visiting alumni the connection between the work in college and after life. He is also reminded of the honorable past of the college. These walks and halls are alive with those who in former years occupied them as students. He who sees the buildings and campus only as such and nothing more, loses an inspiration and feeling that would make his life rounder and fuller. While yet in its infancy, as the life of colleges runs, Bates has a history which will make him who is familiar with it stronger and nobler. Let the student see that he does not neglect this part of his college course.

ANOTHER college year is at an end. Filled with the eloquence and wisdom of the past two weeks we go our several ways. But let us not, in the enjoyment of the needed rest, forget that we are loyal sons of Bates. Nothing more surely gains the public's recognition than hearty college spirit. And this is what we want to manifest in a more marked degree. We have enough enthusiasm bottled up, as much, indeed, as any student body; but we forget to let it out. This is a mistake. Just try to make the people know that you are proud of Bates. Talk to them of her base-ball nine, her societies, her work, her students. Impress them with the fact that Bates is very much

alive, and that her men are healthy, wholesome, lively fellows. This may be done without offense, and in a hearty, honest manner. People will respect your enthusiasm, and will come to feel that Bates is a proper college for their sympathies. And many of the students in the fitting schools, who find it hard to choose between the colleges, will be attracted to our own. This is what we want—more friends, more students. Bates is worthy of them and deserves to grow. But no one feels an interest in the college that is lukewarm. Vigorous patriotism is what men like to see. So be alive the next two months; show a more active college spirit; let people know you are in earnest, and they will honor Bates.

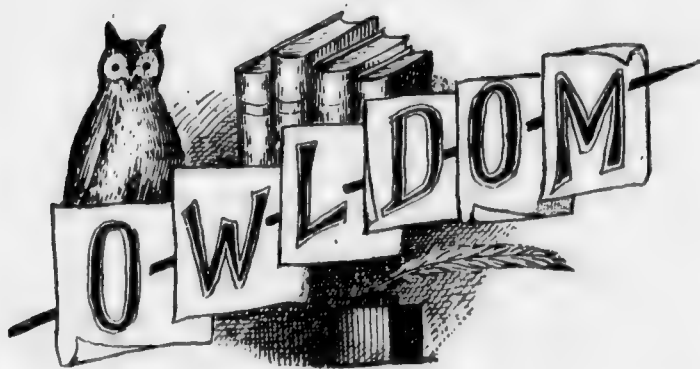
OF ALL the pleasant associations of college life none are more enjoyable or more lasting than the bond of class relationships. This is noticeable when a class leaves college. Other ties are for the most part laid aside and forgotten, but the sympathy and fellow feeling awakened by four years' work in the same class, need not be so. Better work can be done in the college course when the members of a class are in sympathy and accord with one another, and all feel mutual encouragement.

Class union should be cherished and guarded as one of the greatest pleasures and blessings which college life brings to us, and in after life when we look back to other enjoyments of our course we can still have the realization of the kindly bond of our own class.

IN THIS number of the STUDENT we present a short sketch of the work and needs of the Latin School by Professor Frisbee, whose principalship of that institution, during the past thirteen years, has been so aggressive and successful. No other three schools furnish as many students for Bates. Besides good scholars and live men she has developed about half of the baseball material for the successive teams. This alone would seem to warrant a deeper interest in the doings of that institution than has been manifest on the part of the college students. We ought to form the acquaintance of the Latin School pupils. We ought to encourage their every effort in literary or athletic pursuits, and see that none of them desert a college course for want of proper inspiration and encouragement. No friend of the college can appreciate too fully the dependence of Bates upon the Latin School. Her growth must follow, it cannot precede the development of the preparatory school. After a new library building, well equipped, what need presses more immediately than the call for a new and separate Latin School building?

Next year Tufts College will add a course for the degree of A.B., which will substitute modern languages for Latin and Greek.

The new telescope for the Chicago University will be the largest in the world. The lens will be forty-five inches in diameter, or eleven inches larger than that in the great Lick telescope.



THE Owl is sad. Not long since the ball team came in on the night train from a very successful trip. It had won four of the five games played, two of which were league games, and either of the two, if lost, would have lost us the pennant. Did the students meet the team in a body and give it the reception due to men who were winning against heavy odds? Was night made vocal with the familiar "Boom-a-la-ka"?

Not a bit of it. The weary men were obliged to look in vain for the enthusiastic welcome they had a right to expect. The only reception they received was the muttered imprecation of some student, wakened by their late arrival.

The above does not sound well, and fortunately it is no indication of the real feeling of the students towards the team. They have an unfortunate way of showing—or rather of not showing—their appreciation of the excellent work done by it, but they are loyal to it nevertheless.

Perhaps we have come to think that if we pay our association dues and hand in a generous subscription for special objects, that we have pressed the button, and that the team will win the pennants. Money will not win pennants. If it would, Bates would

not be creating such a corner in them as she is at present. Enthusiasm and confidence are indispensable, both to the players and to the students, if our team is to continue victorious. We have an abundance of the qualities. Let us make a draft on them and show the team that we appreciate a good thing when we have it as well as when we do not.

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IT WAS past midnight of Black Monday, June 19th, when the Owl was making his nightly tour. The sky was clouded, sharp lightning flashes covered the heavens, and the air was filled with the deep murmurings of thunder. Suddenly the Owl's attention was attracted by the bright flash of a bonfire on the summit of Mt. David. Flying hurriedly there, he was surprised at not seeing the sombre procession of Sophomores following the coffin of Anna. But instead he beheld a ring of Juniors, hand in hand about the blazing fire, in turn shouting the college yell and singing the same ode which resounded from the mountain just one year ago. The rain pouring down as it did then, brought to mind more vividly the scenes which were then enacted. Thus does the class of '94 celebrate the anniversary of that day so memorable in their class history, and keep green in the minds of the underclassmen, *veteres mores*.

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THE Owl has noted the unusual number of "yaggers" about the ball grounds, tennis courts, and gymnasium the past term. This is an evil which can be uprooted before it is

firmly fixed; but once established, it would be saddled on the college permanently. Of course no one has any objections to the fitting schools occupying the ball grounds. But the precedent should not be established that the college grounds may be made a playground for all the urchins of the city. The Owl dislikes to see the ball ground occupied by this element when it belongs to the nine for practice; and when it sees the tennis courts occupied and the gymnasium and bath-rooms alive with outsiders, it feels that a good, strong sentiment on the part of all the students would do much to protect our property from what is coming to be a pest.

Perhaps it is the duty of the tennis directors and the gymnasium instructors to look after some of these matters, but every student should make it his business to help break up this custom. We have noticed in other colleges a tendency to keep college property clear of a certain class of outsiders, and when once this spirit pervades our students, this annoyance will not be felt.

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AFTER the next President of Bates is chosen, the trustees would do well to consider a matter of no less importance to progress. In the opinion of the Owl the removal of the "Anna Clause" and similar restraints would do much to improve the feeling between students and faculty.

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THE man for the place, rather than the place for the man is a rule the Owl would like to see a little more

closely adhered to. In selecting a man for any position, his qualifications for that particular place, rather than his general ability or broad experience in a different field should be considered. Athletic ability, for instance, rather than good behavior or excellent scholarship should be the passport to athletic honor.

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THE old saying that "nothing succeeds like success" is nowhere truer than in college life. A man may use whatever means necessary to accomplish his ends and if he only does accomplish them all is well. But let him fail of his purpose only by an inch and his former admirers will condemn in scathing terms the same methods, which, attended by success, would have brought him favor and applause.

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THE Owl thinks the cap and gown has come to stay. Judging from the popular verdict concerning the Ivy Day exercises, the uniformity of dress added not a little to the impressiveness of the exercises. The Owl has also been informed by several members of the Junior class that the adoption of the cap and gown was an actual saving to them of twenty-five or thirty dollars in the way of a new suit. This being the case the matter of expense is certainly worthy of consideration. At any rate the cost of cap and gown of itself is not large, and the added satisfaction of doing things in style more than compensates this outlay.

Literary.

THE MONK'S STORY.

IVY-DAY POEM.

BY J. W. LEATHERS, '94.

Underneath the crumbling ruins
Of a monastery old,
Where the sunlight never enters,
Is a dungeon damp and cold.

Long grim rows of Mausoleums
Line the vaulted chamber's side;
Here it was I heard the story
Which I now to you confide.

As I walked there in the silence,
Trembling at a scene so dread,
Suddenly all fear had left me,
I was listening to the dead.

For from out the flitting shadows
Which my candle-light had made,
Stepped a monk who thus addressed me:--
I would speak! Be not afraid!

Full a thousand years have vanished,
Since my body here was lain,
But to-night my restless spirit
Wanders back to earth again.

But an hour's release is given
Ere again it takes its flight
Back into the world of shadows;
Listen! I must speak to-night.

Once a rude and rustic chapel
Stood within a forest glade,
There I spent my early manhood,
Till I met the Saxon maid.

There I dwelt in lonely priesthood,
Through the season's cold or heat,
Blessing prince, and serf, and yeoman,
At the Virgin Mother's feet.

'Twas a day in golden autumn,
When the sunbeam's slanting fill,
Just across the chapel doorway,
Where I stood in charmed spell.

And the many tinted foliage
Rustled in the passing breeze,
Hark! Does not that cry of anguish
Cause your heart's warm blood to freeze?

Ah! 'tis but a recollection!
Yet as vivid now as then;

Lost to me the lapse of ages
As I live it o'er again.

Rushing forth into the forest,
Soon I saw a maiden there,
Captive held by armed marauders,
Cursed despoilers of the fair!

How I blessed my priestly raiment,
Better there than warrior's sword,
For an insult to the priestcraft
Was an insult to the Lord;

Back ye cowards! Loose the maiden!
These the only words I spoke,
But enough, the villains dared not,
Further wrath of God provoke.

Ah, the beauty of the maiden,
Whom I saw before me then;
I had almost thought an angel
Walked the ways of earth again.

Sweet the words of thanks she uttered,
As we sought the chapel door;
She a lovely Saxon princess
Knelt and kissed the gown I wore.

Yes, it was my priestly office
That had saved her life from shame,
And we spoke our praise together
In the blessed Virgin's name.

And tho' curses upon curses
In my madness I have said,
That the harsh restraints of priesthood
Kept me from the life she led.

Curses later turned to praises,
When I stopped to count the cost;
For 'twere better hearts should suffer,
Than immortal souls be lost.

But enough! It is sufficient
That I could not there remain,
For the lovely Saxon princess
Soon my chapel sought again;

Came this time in royal splendor,
Lords and ladies by her side;
And one lord, a noble warrior,
Came to claim her for his bride.

As I spoke the words of union,
Which should make them man and wife,

Tho' a priest I felt an iceberg
Freezing out my very life.

So that night I left the chapel,
Sought this monastery old,
Gave my life to deeds of mercy,
Leading many to the fold.

And when time had worked its changes,
In my narrow cell I died,
With the image of the Virgin
Closely pressed against my side.

Here it ended, this weird story,
Of a monk unknown to fame,
And the ghost-like form had vanished
In the shadows whence it came.

CONSERVE THY YOUTH.

IVY-DAY ORATION.

By E. F. PIERCE, '94.

INTO the life of every thoughtful student there comes a period of discontent and vague unrest. The past, with all its aspirations and attainments, seems trivial and childish; the future beckons onward to the real work of life. All this is well, for it is the indication of a healthy growth.

But time goes on. The student passes from his *Alma Mater*. The college dream gives place to stern reality. Long, and fierce, and unceasing is the struggle as he battles with the manifest, acknowledged foe without, or with the subtle, more insidious foe within. And if, perchance, after the lapse of many years, we meet the undeveloped boy of former days again, we find the conflict has not been in vain. He is broader, and deeper, and stronger now. He has become a man. And yet, while we admire the full powers of his perfected manhood, we feel that there has been a something lost. He is not quite the same as when we knew him first. A

feeling of restraint pervades our intercourse with him, and shuts the door to every confidence. In a word, with all the training of his powers, with all his expansion and development, our friend has lost his youth. This is not well. There is a certain joyousness in youth, a wholesome gladness not to be despised. We see it bursting forth in laughter, in singing, in a thousand forms of merriment. It cannot be repressed. It is as much a part of nature as the sunshine. And who would wish to check the buoyant flow, even if it were possible. Surely he must be a wretched creature who feels no sympathy for such light-heartedness. Now, fitting as we find this trait in youth, in manhood it is no less fitting. We like the jovial man. His kindly presence is a beam of light wherever he may be. And yet, in all his genial gaiety there is nothing inconsistent with the dignity of years. Light-heartedness is not light-headedness; nor does it indicate in any way a lack of proper pride and self-respect. It only makes a normal disposition, a nature unsoured by the disappointments which must fall to every lot. How happy, then, is he whose rare good-humor yields not to the passing years; who in the midst of all the cares of life, yet finds a time to jest and laugh, and feels it is no sin.

Youth, too, is optimistic. Looking abroad upon the world and men, it sees that there is much of beauty. It understands, indeed, that there are many grave abuses, it knows mankind has not attained the highest in its power; yet for all this, the good which does exist, it ever meets with hearty recog-

niton. Why should the young man think that human nature is degenerate? On every hand, wherever he may go, he finds agreeable and pleasant fellow-creatures,—people who will discommoded themselves in order to accommodate another. And shall he then believe so fair a surface covers a black interior, that all this kindness is but superficial, springing from selfish motives in the individual, that there is nothing generous in man, no love of right for its own sake, that human nature, bad at best, is ever growing worse, that darkness is triumphant, light despised? Ah, no! Such a belief belongs to older men. The heart of youth is not so shriveled as to indulge a feeling such as this. The right will conquer, is conquering every day, and in the end its conquest shall be universal.

But all this optimistic view of life is but a phase of youthful generosity. The same free spirit is displayed in many other forms. Youth has not learned that love of self is the great law of all the universe. One must have lived more than a score of years to understand that *ego* is supreme. And so the young are sympathetic. Their hearts are filled with fellow-feelings. Sorrow and joy alike touch a responsive chord, and their susceptible natures reflect as in a glass the hopes, the aspirations, and the fears of others. Yet though all men must feel that this free-hearted sympathy is good, how few retain it in their later years. The rush of business and increasing cares center the every thought on self. Powers uncultivated die. And so this generosity, inborn but fostered not, perishes from

disuse. "Each for himself" men say at last, and justify in this poor way what their own hearts condemn.

There is another quality of youth, boundless enthusiasm. How it inspires the soul; how it incites to action. Nothing so difficult, nothing so dangerous that to the young it seems impossible. Let them but have some object to attain, and they will strive for its accomplishment with ardor never ceasing. Are their plans baffled? Then they will plan again. With their elastic spirits failure is not defeat. It is an active stimulus to more determined efforts; and on the ruins of some frustrate undertaking youth lays foundations for a firmer purpose. Well were it then could one retain some glow of this enthusiasm. For it makes easy much of toil and fills the heart with hope unfailing.

But last, though in no manner least, youth is by nature honorable. Meanness, and fraud, and treachery—these above all things it abhors. True, its conceptions of the just and right are sometimes false. True there are serious mistakes in its ideas of honor. But it is honest in its misbeliefs, and in accordance with its understanding seeks it to rule its life. Would we could say as much of a maturer age. Too often do the passing years blunt this fine sensibility. For grosser passions enter men and self-respect goes out forever.

Ah, yes. Manhood is very good. Its strength, and powers, and knowledge of the world are much to be desired. And wise is he who longs to grapple with the real work of life. But should one then despise his youth?

Is it a hateful thing? Surely that, too,
has noble qualities, and in it there is
much of excellence. Conserve thy
youth. The years thou canst not stay.
But its light-heartedness and optimism,
its generosity, enthusiasm, honor—
these thou canst keep by watchfulness
and care. Truly the manly youth is
good, but better yet the youthful man.

CLASS ODE.

BY E. J. HATCH, '94.

How fondly we'll cherish our dear old Bates
College,
When far from its halls we have all found a
home.
Our classmates, our friendships, all sources of
knowledge,
We'll never forget them where'er we may
roam.
The campus adorned with its verdure and
flowers,
The woods and the glades, where the soft
breezes blow,
The mem'ries of pleasures, of bright happy
hours,
Will lighten life's burdens as onward we go.
Our dear old Bates College! Our dear old
Bates College!
You'll fondly be cherished by Class '94.

For three happy years we have struggled to-
gether,
While eagerly climbing up Wisdom's steep
hill.
We've faithfully served at the shrine of
Minerva,
While seeking our mission from her to fulfill.
When storm-clouds have risen on life's happy
morning
Our determination has swept them away.
And so all through life at each day's early
dawning
Our purpose shall be to improve all the day.
Our dear old Bates College! our dear old
Bates College!
You'll fondly be cherished by Class '94.

There is always room for a man of force, and
he makes room for many.—*Emerson.*

IVY ODE.

BY E. J. HATCH, '94.

With the blooming of the flowers
For the third successive time,
Do we come, dear *Alma Mater*,
With our twining ivy vine.

CHORUS:

Take it, guard it, *Alma Mater*,
As its tendrils climb thy walls.
Guard it as thou dost thy children
Gathered in thy classic halls.

Plant we here our tender ivy
'Neath the shadow of thy eaves;
May it over-run thy summit,
Robing thee in shining leaves.

May this ivy be an emblem
Of the love we have for thee;
As it clings to thee so firmly,
May our hearts united be.

A REJECTED LAUREATE.

VALEDICTORY.

BY GEORGE M. CHASE, '93.

ONE year ago we scarcely realized
that England had more than a
single living poet—the great laureate
who through forty years had been his
nation's grandest and sweetest singer.
Browning, his only rival, had been
dead three years, and while certain
other writers had attracted a degree
of attention, their works were for the
most part little known beyond the
circle of critics and literary specialists.
But since Tennyson's death the entire
English-speaking world has been ask-
ing eagerly, Did the great master
leave any successor fit to wear his
mantle? With scarcely a dissenting
voice, after dismissing from serious
consideration a half dozen hitherto
little-known authors, the lovers of
poetry have presented, as the one
name worthy to be mentioned, William

Morris, the poet-artist. But laureates are not yet chosen by popular vote, and Morris's socialistic opinions and utterances have deprived him of the highest outward honor that can be conferred upon a modern poet. Still, merely as a rejected candidate for the laureateship, he is destined to receive a degree of attention which his noble character and his beautiful poems have hitherto failed to secure.

For William Morris is a remarkable man. A busy factory owner, an artist who makes the designs for his own manufactures, a well-known lecturer on economic questions, a writer of fiction as well as of his noteworthy poems, and the scholarly translator of old Norse works, he can be adequately estimated either as a man or an author only after a study as many-sided as his own busy life. Yet one volume of his poems—"The Earthly Paradise"—universally considered his best work, embodies all the special traits of his genius, so that, knowing these poems, we know the poet at his best.

"The Earthly Paradise" is a series of tales, introduced by a prologue, and connected by a thread of narrative. The prologue describes the wanderings of a band of mariners in search of the land of perpetual youth, while the tales are told in turn by the same mariners, now toil-worn and aged, and by the elders of the city whither they have wandered—their fruitless quest at length ended. The book is thus, in its make-up, something like Chaucer's "Canterbury Tales." Indeed, Morris admires Chaucer and calls himself his disciple. But the resemblance between

their works is merely superficial. Chaucer's humor and variety, his clear-drawn human characters, his animation and directness are wholly lacking in Morris, and though both use simple language, Chaucer has also simplicity of thought and a charming spontaneity, while Morris carefully groups and selects for artistic effect. Nor is any poet easily found to class with Morris. Perhaps he resembles most the beauty-loving writers of later Greece, with their delight in the present and their carelessness of the future.

These poems, however, certainly exhibit gifts of a high order. As a storyteller our author skillfully keeps alive the reader's interest and curiosity, and brings into due prominence the salient features of the narrative. Moreover, competent critics agree that Morris is remarkably familiar with the customs and manners, the very spirit and ways of thought of the times he portrays. Specially wonderful is his descriptive power. Each scene stands out in all its parts vivid to the reader's eye. These triumphs of description are accomplished mainly by an enumeration of details, so happily selected as to make words rival in expressiveness the painter's brush. And Morris is a true artist. Everything ugly in the tales he prunes away; every landscape is beautiful; and throughout his work runs a subtle harmony. Fault has been found with his frequent references to death and change. But since the stories are represented as related by old men—wearied, disappointed wanderers—what thought would occur to them more naturally? And if the

scenes are too monotonously, ideally beautiful, does not the aged memory always suffuse the past with a golden glow?

The style, too, is clear and simple, with a touch of quaintness from occasional archaisms. And while, in extended poems like these, extreme richness of melody would be undesirable, Morris has made his lines flow smoothly and beautifully,—more pleasing for a contrasting discord now and then.

Yet, beautiful as these poems are, their scope has distinct limitations. Their author depicts only the surface. He makes no attempt to delineate character; and his heroes and heroines are all much alike. Nor does he stir the deeper emotions, but depicts simple, common feelings, such as move all men. And his only moralizing is the oft-recurring touch of epicurean philosophy—present happiness in contrast with future sorrow and death.

These limitations, however, are not defects; they are the conditions of success in the author's chosen field. But there are a few unmistakable defects. The play of feeling might be varied beyond the restricted range of the gentle and the pathetic. Humor would probably not suit the character of the poems; but something of the sublime would be a valuable addition. We must admit, also, that we discover some lack of symmetry; the prologue is too long and many passages are rather diffuse.

I hardly know whether to consider it a defect that these poems seem to lack reality. True though the author is to the times he depicts, faithful as

are his portrayals of nature, yet his stories live before our mind with only a faint dream life. What are the causes of this unreality? The want of variety in "The Earthly Paradise," and the limited range of feeling do not accord with life's many-sidedness. Moreover, in subordinating human interest to descriptions of the outside world, Morris takes a different standpoint from our usual one. And the very beauty of his ideal world makes it unreal to us, familiar with the frequent ugliness, the sorrow and pain of every-day life.

Yet even this unreality heightens the peculiar charm of these poems; and their charm is certainly powerful. Its intrinsic harmony and beauty, the novelty of its simple story telling and description, so different from the strong emotion or thought that burdens most poems, and its remoteness from the scenes and associations of our daily life, give to the book a delightful individuality. We seek from other poets inspiration and incentive to profound thought; we turn gladly to Morris when we wish to forget prosaic realities in dreams of perfect loveliness.

Strange contrast between this remote, dreamy beauty, and the busy, practical life of the man who created it. Especially remarkable that one who, in his poetry, dwells so fondly on the past should be, like Morris, a socialist, the unhesitating advocate of changes so radical as to seem, to conservative Englishmen, revolutionary. His bold advocacy of these views has lost him the laureateship; it has brought him a far nobler reward. For it has

demonstrated to the thinking world that "the idle singer of an empty day" is no frivolous poetic trifle, but a man of sincere conviction. Nay; the example of the man who might have been poet-laureate of England has more than individual significance. For the fact that William Morris, the earnest reformer, still finds delight in the ideal visions of his "Earthly Paradise" gives us assurance that though the framework of society be rebuilt from its foundations, though all institutions and the whole system of life be transformed, mankind, as of old, will turn from earth's turmoil, its unsatisfied longings and aspirations unrealized, to the magic realm of poetry—that Eden which our world has not yet lost.

THE VALUE OF PURE SCIENCE IN EDUCATION.

SALUTATORY.

BY A. C. YEATON, '93.

EVER since its birth the United States has claimed to be pre-eminently a nation of practical people. And in proof of the justice of its claim it now points with pride to its factories filled with the most improved machinery, its fields supplying the granaries of the world, its railroads penetrating and opening up the most remote corner of the country, and its treasury overflowing with specie. Truly it can easily vindicate its claim to this high honor. But a virtue carried to excess becomes a vice, and there is great danger lest, ere long, the view of your practical American will be bounded by the rim of his

silver dollar. Even now it is difficult for him to see beyond it.

The evil influence of this excessive utilitarianism pervades our entire life, social, political, and ethical; but it is in education that we have most to fear. From childhood the American is trained to look upon material prosperity as the chief constituent of success; and with this in view he is taught arithmetic, book-keeping, and geometry, because they are practical; while science, except as applied in the arts, is considered useless. Such a training naturally leads him to require of everything he studies, that it directly enable him better to pursue his chief object. Hence, science—by which I mean only *pure* science—has been sadly neglected, and time spent in studying it thought to be wholly wasted.

To be sure self-preservation is the first law of Nature, and in the early stages of civilization required the undivided attention of all. But to-day this is needless, and he who has in any degree the requisite taste and ability should devote it to the advancement of knowledge and culture in the world. For this work a scientific education is absolutely essential.

A classical or literary education is circumscribed. It confines the student to a few old standards and to the various writers of the past who created those standards. But a scientific education is catholic. It embraces the whole field of human knowledge, its sphere is limited only by the Infinite. Not that in *one* short life, man can hope to master all wisdom; but that by application and perseverance he can

obtain a deep insight into the principles of research, and then, devoting himself chiefly to one department, enter the field himself.

A scientific education is the highest training in observation, reasoning, and integrity. The scientist does not study of the world, he studies the world itself. He is trained to observe in nature the smallest details, and so to correlate them that with a few given reason and imagination complete the figure. His close contact with facts gives a concreteness to his conceptions that prevents his fancy from drawing him too far into the broad seas of speculation. All through the history of civilization men have imagined a thing and then ransacked heaven and earth for its proof. But science asks not "What ought to be?" but "What is?" and nothing but the truth, and the truth because it is true, will satisfy its demands, nor is any truth too sacred to be tested again and again.

Finally, science is æsthetic. Ignorance lends no charm to anything. It is not culture to be floundering amid erroneous hypotheses, nor to see things with the untrained eye of sense alone. True culture—intellectual wholeness—demands that we observe the world in the light of its laws. In the rose or the butterfly, the rainbow or the sunset, the man of science sees beauties never dreamed of by the uninitiated. The color, the external form, the superficial beauty, are as plain to him as to another; but besides these he sees the life process, the sap and blood passing through the multitudes of cells, giving one color here, another there, but

always in strict compliance with its own laws; the gradual gradation from leaf to flower, the development from egg to insect, the evolution of each from primitive forms. To even the darkest ignorance the beauties of nature are dimly seen, but its true beauty, its symmetry and grandeur, is revealed only to the student.

Surrounding us on every side with her glories Nature calls us to "leave all meaner things" and study her, and richly will she repay the slightest attention; but never so munificently as when approached through the medium of science. The student of Nature should view her not through the stained windows of her dwelling, nor through the untrustworthy eyes of another, but face to face, learning by personal acquaintance her secrets and loveliness. He studies not the imperfect work of men, where standards are arbitrary or wanting, but goes rather to the infinite source of all knowledge whose one standard is the truth.

CLASS HYMN.

BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY.

BY G. M. CHASE, '93.

TUNE—*Duke Street.*

Dear Lord, while earth is brightening
To summer beauty in Thy praise,
With humble hearts we, too, would bring
The blossom of our spring-time days.

The love that twines our lives in one,
Our thousand hopes and pleasures new,
Beneath Thy tender care have grown,
And all their fragrance is Thy due.

So Father, bless Thy garden still;
Send rain or sunshine, Thou all wise,
And our souls' barren places fill
With gracious flowers of Paradise.

We bring Thee only blossoms now;
 But when their beauty is o'erpast,
 More than sere leaves, we trust that thou
 Shalt find some worthy fruit at last.

CLASS ODE.

WORDS BY G. M. CHASE.

MUSIC BY A. P. IRVING.

Tender mother, lift thy hand to bless us
 Ere we leave thee; from thy kindly eye
 Beam one love-glance, flash the gathered
 brightness

Of four joyful years gone by.
 As of yore let thy dear accents
 Charm and soothe the troubled mind
 Eager for the unknown morrow, tearful
 For the golden days behind.

For our fancies revel in the sunshine
 Myriad-gleamed through rainbow-misty
 years,

Flaming on our souls a beacon glory
 Where some distant peak uprears;
 But the gentle radiance streaming
 Thy clear aureoled pathway o'er,
 Must our drear lives lose it,—lose thee,
 mother—

Drear lives bright with thee no more?

'Tis a dream; we will not, cannot leave thee;
 Over pleasant, over glooming ways,
 Still thy saintly face shines, kindling gladness
 In its tender, hopeful gaze;
 Through the calm, the tempest, stealing,
 Thy clear tones their old charm bear;
 On each further height thy loving welcome
 Waits to greet thy children there.

THE COAT OF ARMS OF THE
TWENTIETH CENTURY.

CLASS-DAY ORATION.

BY N. C. BRUCE, '93

STAND with me far back in history,
 and for a moment witness an im-
 pressive scene. It is on a day in
 August, 1346, at the gates of Paris.
 The event is the great battle of Crecy.
 England and France are the opposing

parties. For the one, Edward III. and
 his brave son, the Black Prince, are in
 command. For the other, the Count
 of Alençon and the war-like kings of
 Bohemia and Majorca are the chosen
 leaders. Each with his corps of guards,
 clad in national colors, dotted with
 trophies representing centuries of tri-
 umphs, is ready to face death sooner
 than surrender these badges of honor.
 "Under spread ensign moving near in
 slow but firm battalion" the grim-faced
 warriors meet. The bugle sounds!
 Hear the battle cry! Shining like a
 meteor and streaming to the wind, the
 imperial banner of old England is borne
 to the front by the lion-crested king and
 his gallant son. Philip, king of France,
 lifts high his crest of lilies; and as
 the rank and file of the armies catch a
 sight of their respective symbols, their
 blood rushes up, their sinews stiffen, and
 their courage runs mad. The combat
 deepens; the brave push on to victory,
 or into the jaws of death. "Arms on
 armor clash in horrible discord; the
 noise of the conflict is awful. Hand
 to hand and foot to foot they fight the
 fight of ages." The English conquer,
 but not until thirty thousand French
 bite the dust in defense of all that
 seems dear on earth to them—their
 nation's armorial bearing.

Such is but a dim picture of the es-
 teem and reverence felt for family and
 national coats of arms in the middle of
 the fourteenth century.

Love of honor and power and desire
 for symbols of distinction have stirred
 the pride and roused the ambition of
 all civilized and uncivilized peoples.
 Whether fighting under Nimrod, Cæsar,

or Wellington, the badge of honor always thrilled and moved men at supreme moments. Something to strive for; something to be proud of; something to transmit to a grateful posterity as a memento of brave, virtuous lives, that has ever been the spur to the noblest action of human kind. "Such was the lion of the tribe of Judah; such the soul-stirring letters emblazoned upon the Roman standard; such the Danish Raven; such the white horse of Saxony;" and such the glorious significance of the Stars and Stripes. Each emblem, whether mounted on a pole, worn as a garment, branded on the brow, or cherished in thought, has appealed powerfully to the hearts of men.

Standing in the closing years of the nineteenth century, by reflecting upon the ideals it has cherished, the watchwords that have emblazoned its standard, we may be able to trace in imagination the symbols and devices that shall distinguish the coat of arms of the twentieth.

Already the mighty uplifts of thought, the great strides in knowledge, and the untiring activities of this transitional century have burst the fatal barriers of caste and given a larger conception of truth and right. To Buffon and Lyell, Darwin and Herbert Spencer, Huxley and Edison, more than to any others, are due the most important steps in the ladder of nineteenth century progress. As philosophers, geologists, and scientists, these great benefactors have discovered principles, determined laws, and invented machinery, which have annihilated distance, broadened

man's conception of God and nature, made labor respected, and in a thousand ways have brought peace and comfort to a large part of the human race. Railroads and steamship lines girdle the globe, making ready a highway for the propagation of truth and righteousness and carrying peace to all lands.

Stephenson, Fulton, Morse, and their successors have engraved the shield for this century. "Doubt, research, and understanding are its mottoes." Never before such universal manifestation of doubt, such impartial investigation, such an accumulation of facts and knowledges. As a result, man is becoming reconciled to man, love and sympathy are beginning to be manifested everywhere. When, till now, were there such freedom of thought and speech, such a reduction of multiplicity to unity, such powers put into the hands of the individual? When, till this century, were there such an awakening to the needs of the race, such practical and timely aid given to the needy and suffering? What dozen centuries are to be compared with the present in research and in actual deeds accomplished? And yet this era of upheavals, outcroppings, and developments is but the glimmering dawn of that fuller and brighter day to be ushered in with the twentieth century.

Looking out upon the current of human affairs, great truths are apparent. It is to be carefully pondered that the escutcheon of the next century is to be worn by men whose claim to leadership will not be paternal merits or demerits, but the will and the power to

bless humanity. The present, of experimenting—testing plans and systems; the future will be full of practical work. Hence the greater need of trained workmen. Let him who thinks that his will be a smooth path in the next century, a path upon which he will advance without tedious effort in the footsteps of the fathers, learn anew the A, B, C of America's life. For here, upon her soil, are yet to be won social, moral, and political battles of deeper significance than were Marathon, Hastings, Trafalger, Waterloo, Yorktown, or Appomattox. It will require heroic endeavor and patient endurance to root out that corrupter of youth and destroyer of manhood—the giant rum evil. It will take matchless wisdom to solve the perplexing problems of municipal government; of the proper restriction of immigration; of the education of the masses; of restoring harmony between the two huge forces of labor and capital, and of keeping the country true to God. Political questions may, indeed, be adjusted by the ballot. But the twentieth century will be pregnant with moral questions, and the problems presented by social evils, intemperance, and political corruption can be solved only by the concerted and consecrated effort of all true men and women.

It is a penetrating thought this, that it matters but little where one works, or whether he receives the plaudits of men and gains a worldly fame; whether he dies unwept; if he has persevered in good resolutions; has manifested a deep concern for the welfare of his fellow-men; has struggled against iniquity, luxury, and vice.

In the future these qualities will be the supreme test of true manhood.

If, as with the humble Nazarine, there is an absence of pride, of arrogance, of depravity, and a fullness of love, sympathy, and activity—the better for the individual; the better for society. The dread century, big with destiny, is soon to be on! Young men and women, who are being fashioned and formed in this happy America, will you prepare yourselves for duty? Are you weak? By clinging to the right you will become strong. Behold that poor Genoese navigator, under the most discouraging conditions, opening up a new world! Mark how the Scottish Burns persevered and grew strong. To-day his name is the pride of his country and the world. Look upon that "bright consummate flower of the nineteenth century civilization, Abraham Lincoln." Truth conquered for him. By sheer force of noble feelings and heroic deeds, men must rise, in the future as in the past, to the grandeur of the work which awaits supreme genius and persistent toil. The age of brotherhood, concord, and knowledge is about to dawn. It will be a time of stupendous successes and miserable failures, according as there is a rigorous pursuit of justice, or a yielding to profligacy, pollution, and treachery. In fine, sound reason, vigorous understanding, and well-grounded hope will enable this generation to triumph over such complicated vices as now threaten our government.

In the twentieth century there will be a complete realization of the right

to work at all honorable callings without let or hindrance. Free speech, infinite toleration, and human brotherhood will be the motto of that epoch of progress. Such will be our monuments, such our trophies, and such the triumphs of humanity, that, with the Apostle, the true man will exclaim: Yea, "I count all things but loss for

Christ Jesus, my Lord. Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect. But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Poets' Corner.

WHAT MATTERS IT?

What matters it, that, deep in forests green,
With only God to hear,
Sweet birds make music 'mid the leafy sheen,
Afar from mortal ear?
What matters it, so they have blithely sung,
As well when skies have frowned
And tempests roared, as when the sun has flung
His lavish wealth around?

What matters it, that, in sequestered dells
Dame Nature fashions fair,
Though mortal never yet disturbed her spells,
Sweet flowers scent the air?
What matters it, so they have filled their place,
All uncomplaining, brave;
Met storm and sun alike with smiling face,
Content with what God gave?

What matters it, my heart, that thou must sing,
Ofttimes, with none to hear,
But hearts so dead no answering chord can ring,
To give reward of cheer?
What matters it, so thou dost sing as well
In sorrow's dreary night,
As when in joy's full sunshine thou dost dwell?
For God is aye thy light.

What matters it, my soul, that thou may'st live
Unnoticed and unknown;
That labor, love, and life itself thou give,
For those with hearts of stone?
What matters it, so thou art ever true
To what in thee is best,
Dost all thy path with deeds of kindness strew,
And leave to God the rest?

—GEO. H. HAMLEN, '90.

IMMORTALITY.

Under the dome of the Infinite blue,
Where the wandering clouds troop by;
Close by the ocean's changing hue,
Alone on the strand stood I.
But the ceaseless wave beat
Struck fierce at my feet,
For only a human was I.

Under the spreading of sylvan sweep
Where the wandering winds slow crept:
"What power holds the winds and the turbulent deep,
That their limits are never o'erstepped?"
But the winds kept their way,
And the leaflets their play;
For only a human was I.

Under the swell of a circling dome,
Where the anthems rise and fall,
Sundering the echoes that through it roam;
I sat in a sacred hall.
But those vaults nothing heard,
While my being was stirred;
For surely a human was I.

Billows may mock at man's physical prime
And the mind fail to grasp earth's sway;
Yet mortal shall turn to immortal some time,
While the winds and waves pass away.
For the heaven's shall roll
From the ends as a scroll,
But the human shall live away.

—H., '96.

Who hath not known ill-fortune never knew
himself nor his own virtue.—*Mallet*.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

IN THE SWIM.

The sweet girl graduate,
She gets there spite of fate.
In surf or air
No matter where,
Her rig is up to date.

Farewell, 'Ninety-three!

Remember us to Columbus.

Look out for Chicago water.

'Ninety-seven is next in order.

"Why don't you fellers hire a hall?"

H. T. Gould, '96, works at Old Orchard this summer.

F. E. Perkins, '94, is head waiter at the Fiske House, Old Orchard.

E. J. Hatch, '94, will be engaged in newspaper work during the summer vacation.

J. M. Winslow, Tufts, '95, ex-Bates, '95, visited his former classmates a few days ago.

The Athletic Association gave ten dollars toward the Maine interscholastic athletic cup.

Monday evening, May 22d, President and Mrs. Cheney received the Sophomores.

Professor Hayes has taken the Sophomore class out for several botanical walks this term.

Professor and Mrs. Hayes gave the Senior class a reception, Monday evening, June 14th.

Professor Porter H. Dale has drilled those participating in the exercises of Commencement week.

Professor T. L. Angell was ordained at the Free Baptist Quarterly Meeting, at West Bowdoin, June 16th.

W. P. Hamilton, ex-'94, is teaching at Chebeague. He was at the Junior class party on the evening of Ivy Day.

Professor and Mrs. Hartshorn entertained the Seniors, Thursday evening, June 8th, at their residence on College Street.

D. B. Lothrop, '93, closed a very successful term of school at Scarborough, and returned to the college in time for tests.

The Freshman class had a group picture taken a few days ago. Forty-one were present. Their class ball team was in front.

W. A. French, '94, and W. W. Bolster, Jr., '95, served as judges at the Maine interscholastic field day, at Augusta, June 9th.

On account of Mrs. Stanton's poor health, Professor Stanton gave his usual Senior reception at his boarding place, 428 Main Street.

A. H. Miller, who has proved an efficient scorer this year, has been unanimously elected manager of the ball team for next year.

President and Mrs. Cheney gave the Juniors and a few of their invited friends a reception at their residence, Friday evening, June 24th.

D. F. Field, '94, will pass the coming vacation at Phillips, where he will be

engaged in the banking business with his brother, formerly of '94.

Mr. Merrill, the janitor, harvested the hay on the campus without getting it wet. He says that this is the first time that he has done so within five years.

June 2d, the Sophomores went to Lake Auburn. The trip over was made on a barge; the return on the horse-cars. Professor Stanton accompanied them.

O. E. Hanscom and W. S. Parsons, '96, work at Poland Springs. Hanscom is night watch at the Mansion House, and Parsons will drive one of the coaches.

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by President Cheney, at the Main Street Church, Sunday, June 25th. To accommodate those attending church elsewhere, this exercise took place at 2.30 P.M. instead of the morning, as has been the custom heretofore.

W. W. Harris, '94, will hold his former position as Superintendent of the office of the W. L. Douglass Shoe Co., Boston, Mass., during the summer. He will also supply the pulpit of the Free Baptist church at Olneyville, R. I., the last Sunday in July and during August.

Pennell, '93, the star batter of the Bates team, played several games with the Lewiston New England League team, recently, and as he lead the team in batting and covered second base in fine style, will doubtless secure a position in the league after Commencement if he so desires.

The Cynescan officers for the next year are: President, Kate A. Leslie, '94; Vice-President, Lotta E. Neal, '95; Secretary and Treasurer, Bertha M. Brown, '96; Executive Committee, Cora B. Pennell, '94, Cora W. Hastings, '95, Gracia B. Prescott, '96.

The Senior invitations and Class-Day programmes were very unique. The outside was parchment, "Bates, '93," embossed in gold; on the inside was a first-class cut of the college buildings. On the last page of the invitations were the autographs of the class.

The class officers of '96 are: President, G. W. Thomas; Vice-President, H. L. Douglass; Secretary, Miss G. L. Miller; Treasurer, O. F. Cutts; Councilmen, A. B. Howard, A. L. Kavanaugh; Executive and Devotional Committee, A. P. Norton, L. S. Mason, Miss M. E. Dolley.

The Juniors read their parts in the chapel, Monday evening, June 5th, before L. G. Roberts, Esq., Rev. C. S. Patten, and H. R. Purinton, A.B. Twelve were put over to speak in the church. The ten dollar prize for the best essay was awarded to J. C. Woodman.

The Senior class observed last chapel, Tuesday morning, June 20th. Marshal, R. A. Sturges; Reading of Scripture, W. C. Marden, Class President; Prayer, M. W. Stickney, Class Chaplain. The class formed a line on each side of the outer doors and sang "Auld Lang Syne" while the other classes were marching out.

Unusual interest has been manifest in Society work the past few weeks, partly due to the fact that the programmes have been conducted by the individual classes.

The Bates Male Quartette, assisted by Miss Bonney, '96, and Mr. Russell, '95, readers, gave the concert at Paris Hill Academy before a large audience. The boys report a very pleasant time, and were much pleased with the way in which they were entertained by the Paris Hill people.

The prize declamations of the graduating class of the Latin School took place at the Main Street Free Baptist Church, Friday evening, June 16th. The participants were drilled by E. J. Hatch, '94, and each part was delivered in a very creditable manner. The first prize was awarded to Miss Mary A. Hewins; the second to Mr. C. O. Wright.

A great deal of disappointment was felt at the announcement that Cyril Tyler would not appear at the Commencement Concert, on account of a trip to Europe with his father. The committee are entitled to a great deal of credit for the manner in which the place was filled, with practically no delay.

O. F. Cutts, '96, has been chosen by the Faculty to attend the summer school at Hemenway Gymnasium, Harvard, this summer, preparatory to instructing his class in the gymnasium next year. Mr. Cutts is a young man of excellent character, and if he develops athletic ability will make a good man for the position. Miss Ethel I.

Cummings, '94, will represent the ladies of the college at Hemenway this summer.

The Latin School, Lewiston High School, and Edward Little High School held a field day on the college campus and at the fair grounds, June 3d. Referee, W. B. Skelton, '92; Judges, E. L. Pennell, '93, W. W. Bolster, Jr., '95; Measurers, J. C. Woodman, '94, E. G. Campbell, '95, G. A. Hutchins, '95. The Edward Little High School won the most points.

The newly elected officers of the Eurosophian Society are: President, A. J. Marsh, '94; Vice-President, E. G. Campbell, '95; Secretary, Miss Mary Staples, '96; Assistant Secretary, Miss L. G. Miller, '96; Treasurer, G. W. Thomas, '96; Librarian, Miss F. A. Wheeler, '95; Executive Committee, J. C. Woodman, '94, R. F. Springer, '95, Miss F. A. Mason, '96.

The Sophomore class elected the following officers for the ensuing year, Wednesday morning, June 21st: President, G. A. Hutchins; Vice-President, W. W. Bolster, Jr.; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss S. L. Staples; Orator, B. L. Pettigrew; Poet, Miss N. G. Wright; Toast-master, F. H. Knapp; Chaplain, N. R. Smith; Marshal, F. T. Wingate; Executive Committee, E. G. Campbell, W. S. Brown, Misses H. M. Willard, D. E. Roberts, C. W. Hastings.

The officers of the Polymnian Society for next year are: President, S. I. Graves, '94; Vice-President, W. S. Brown, '95; Secretary, Miss G. B. Prescott, '96; Treasurer, L. W.

Pease, '95; Librarian, Herbert Lord, '96; Orator, L. J. Brackett, '94; Poet, J. W. Leathers, '94; Editorial Committee, W. A. French, '94, Miss L. E. Neal, '95, R. L. Thompson, '95; Musical Committee, W. A. French, '94, Miss M. A. Steward, '95, R. L. Thompson, '96; Executive Committee, A. W. Small, '94, Miss C. W. Hastings, '95, W. S. Parsons, '96.

The Junior Exhibition took place at the Main Street Church, Monday evening, June 26th. The following is the programme:

MUSIC.—PRAYER.—MUSIC.

Hawthorne as a Novelist.

Miss B. W. Gerrish.

Intellectual Development a Moral Obligation.

S. I. Graves.

Principles of Emulation.

E. J. Hatch.

Love of Culture, or Culture of Love.

Miss E. I. Cummings.

The True Function of Doubt.

A. J. Marsh.

Death Unto Life.

J. W. Leathers.

America Unvindicated.

L. J. Brackett.

A Possible Peril to the Public.

H. M. Cook.

Solid Men.

F. C. Thompson.

Shall We Escape a Social Revolution?

D. F. Field.

What Constitutes a Good American Citizen?

J. B. Hoag.

Nil Admirari.

E. F. Pierce.

Following is a very creditable list of butterflies seen by Messrs. Stickney and Spratt, '93, during the past year: cercyonis alope, cercyonis nephele, satyrodes eurydice, basilarchia archipus, basilarchia arthemis, polygonia fannus, polygonia progne, eugonia J—album, euvaessa antiopa, anglais milbertii, vanessa atalantis, vanessa huntera, vanessa cardui, speyeria, idalia, argynnis cybele, argynnis aphrodite, argynnis atlantis, brenthus myrina, brenthus bellona, phyciodes tharos,

cinclidia harrisii, euphydryas phaeton, anosia plexippue, everes commyntas, cyaniris pseudargiolus, herodes hypophlaeas, fenisea tarquinius, eurymus philodice, pieris rapae, jelsoniades glaucus, papilio polyxeus, thorydes pylades, thanaos persius, amblyscirtes, samoset, atrytone zabulon, atrytone zabulon pocahontas, anthomaster leonardus, polites peckins, thymelicus mystic, limochares tannus, euphyes metacomet, epargyreus tilyrus.

The Junior class held their Ivy-Day exercises in the College Chapel and on the Campus, Tuesday afternoon, June 20th. Nineteen members participated in the exercises, and wore the cap and gown. The weather was perfect, and notwithstanding the exercises at City Hall, a large audience was in attendance. The programme was as follows:

MUSIC.—PRAYER.—MUSIC.

Oration—Conserve Thy Youth. E. F. Pierce.
Poem. J. W. Leathers.

MUSIC.

Presentations.

Class Ode.

Planting the Ivy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Reckless Rider, S. I. Graves, Horse.
Afflicted Man, Miss K. A. Leslie, Soothing Syrup.
Faculty Pet, L. J. Brackett, Scholarship Prize.
Co-eds' Man, E. W. Noone, Calling Cards.
Modest Man, A. H. Miller, The Earth.
Loyal Man, Miss B. W. Gerrish, Class Colors.
Lazy Man, F. C. Thompson, Sofa.
Brass Worker, A. J. Marsh, Hammer.
Diligent Student, C. C. Brackett, Text-Book.

D. F. FIELD, TOAST-MASTER.

The exercises passed off smoothly and every part was well received. Callahan's full orchestra was in attendance and furnished excellent music.

The oration, poem, odes, etc., are given in full in another department.

The class officers are: President, W. A. French; Vice-President, F. C. Thompson; Toast-Master, D. F. Field; Marshal, A. H. Miller; Chaplain, W. E. Page. The Committee of Arrangements were: A. H. Miller, S. I. Graves, Miss K. A. Leslie, Miss M. A. Hill, A. J. Marsh.

In the evening the class gathered at the home of Miss Bessie W. Gerrish, on Horton Street, Lewiston, where a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served, and with music and games the time was all improved. Several former members of the class were present.

The following is the list of subscriptions to the Bates laboratory fund: Arthur Given, '67, \$10; J. H. Rand, '67, \$10; George C. Chase, '68, \$10; W. H. Bolster, '69, \$2; C. A. Moores, '69, \$5; George B. Files, '69, \$3; L. G. Jordan, '70, \$10; F. B. Fuller, '75, \$5; Josiah Chase, '70, \$10; O. C. Wendell, '68, \$5; E. F. Nason, '72, \$5; A. M. Spear, '75, \$10; O. B. Clason, '77, \$10; Henry W. Oakes, '77, \$10; G. A. Stewart, '77, \$10; W. E. Ranger, '79, \$10; F. L. Hayes, '80, \$5; W. H. Judkins, '80, \$5; W. H. Hartshorn, '86, \$10; W. C. Buck, '87, \$1; A. S. Woodman, '87, \$2; J. W. Moulton, '87, \$2; A. S. Littlefield, '87, \$5; Nora R. Collar, '87, \$2; Israel Jordan, '87, \$1; Roscoe Nelson, '87, \$2; John R. Dunton, '87, \$5; Edward C. Hayes, '87, \$7; Amy S. Rhodes, \$2.50; Percy R. Howe, '87, \$3; L. G. Roberts, '87, \$2; U. G. Wheeler, '87, \$2; Lura S. Stevens, '87, \$2; Ira A. Jenkins, '87, \$2; M. Nettie Chase, '87, \$2; Fairfield Whitney, '87, \$5; E. K.

Sprague, '87, \$1; Clara R. Blaisdell, '87, \$2; W. F. Tibbetts, '88, \$5; A. S. Townsend, '88, \$5; I. N. Cox, '89, \$10; Class of '90, \$75; Class of '91, \$100.

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

The Exeter Quarterly Meeting has given \$30 to add to the furnishing of the room that it had already partly furnished.

A book-case and 233 volumes from the library of Rev. G. W. Bean, who recently died in Lewiston, has been presented to the school.

Mrs. Mary B. Wingate has presented \$50 to the library in memory of her son, Harry Irving Hebbard, who died last fall while in college.

Rev. O. H. Tracy, '85, who has for nearly two years been State Missionary in Minnesota, will begin his pastorate at Great Falls, N. H., in July.

Rev. A. E. Cox, '85, will deliver the address before the Alumni Association of the Divinity School, June 28th, in place of Rev. C. F. Penny, D.D.

Rev. W. W. Carver, '86, succeeds Rev. J. A. Wiggin, '86, as pastor of the Free Baptist church at East Rochester, N. H. Mr. Wiggin is now pastor at Danville, N. H.

Prof. A. T. Salley, '79, will return, the last of July, from Berlin, Germany, where he has prosecuted Old Testament studies the year past. He will visit Lewiston before resuming his chair at Hillsdale College.

Several of the students have spent the leisure hours of the past month in

taking a Religious Census of Auburn. This work has brought them into pleasant relations with the pastors of Auburn, and it has also given them a glance at the religious needs of the city.

Rev. C. E. Mason, '85, closed his labors at the Bangor church, May 28th. After spending the month of June at his old home in Monroe, Me., he will come to Commencement, visit the World's Fair in Chicago, and then make his home in Colorado.

Rev. F. L. Hayes, '85, pastor of our vigorous Minneapolis church, has a sermon in the *Morning Star* of June 8th, on "The Making of the Bible." He also regularly contributes Sunday-School Notes to *Our Dayspring*. Mr. Hayes is a busy man. In addition to his other duties he is President of the Minnesota Yearly Meeting, and President of the Western Free Baptist Publishing Society.

Rev. T. H. Stacy, '79, one of the members of the Examining Committee, was absent from the examinations last week, owing to his trip to Findlay, Ohio, to attend a meeting of the General Eldership of the Church of God. Mr. Stacy went as a representative of the Free Baptist Foreign Mission Board, and his object was to bring about co-operation in mission work between the Free Baptists and the General Eldership of the Church of God.

Some statistics of the graduating class may be of interest:

William Leavitt Bradeen, Mexico, Me.; age, 31; weight, 135; height, 5 feet 6 inches; hat, $6\frac{5}{8}$; brown hair and blue eyes. Mr. Bradeen will probably

become pastor of the church in Scarborough, Me.

George Henry Hamlen, Sidney, Me.; age, 27; weight, 170; height, 6 feet 3 inches; hat, $7\frac{1}{4}$; dark brown hair and hazel eyes; politics, Independent; favorite author, Tennyson. Mr. Hamlen and Mrs. Hamlen will probably go to India in October to work in the foreign field.

Walter Weston Harris will remain another year in Lewiston to finish his course in the college.

Franklin Boody Nelson, Wheelock, Vt.; age, 31; weight, 175; height, 5 feet $9\frac{1}{2}$ inches; hat, $7\frac{1}{8}$; dark brown hair and blue eyes; politics, Prohibitionist; favorite author, Robert Browning.

Leonard Simeon Williams, Great Pond, Me.; age, 32; weight, 140; height, 5 feet 10 inches; brown hair and blue eyes; politics, Republican or Prohibitionist. Mr. Williams is pastor of the church in Clinton, Me.

Herbert Elmer Wyman, Loudon, N. H.; age, 25; weight, 160; height, 5 feet 6 inches; hat, $7\frac{1}{4}$; dark brown hair and blue eyes; politics, Republican; favorite author, Washington Irving. Mr. Wyman and Mrs. Wyman expect to go as Foreign Missionaries to India next October.

All the members of this class are Free Baptists. Two are graduates of Bates College.

The prizes for the mission articles have been awarded as follows: for the "Outline History of Christian Missions," a prize of ten dollars, awarded to Mr. G. H. Hamlen, '93. For the article entitled "The Pastor as an Agent in Answering the Prayer to the

Lord of the Harvest to Send Forth Laborers into His Harvest," a prize of ten dollars given also to Mr. G. H. Hamlen, '93.

ANNUAL FIELD DAY.

The Ninth Annual Field-Day exercises of the Athletic Association took place Monday, June 19th. Prof. F. N. Whittier, of Bowdoin, acted as Referee; Judges, F. W. Larrabee, '91, and W. H. Putnam, '92; Timers, W. C. Marden, '93, W. A. French, '94, R. F. Springer, '95.

Committee of Arrangements, F. L. Hoffman, '93, N. C. Bruce, '93, E. W. Noone, '94, W. W. Bolster, Jr., '95, A. P. Norton, '96.

There were nineteen events and 249 entries, showing the great interest that Bates students take in athletics. Four records were broken during the day and one record tied, as follows:

Running Broad Jump, old record made by Garland, '90, 17 ft. 10 in. New record by Bolster, '95, 20 ft. 4½ in. For this, Mr. Bolster received a silver medal from the College Club, the only one won during the day.

Putting Shot.—Morrill, '95, put it 4 inches over his last year's record.

220 Yards Dash.—The old record made by Garcelon, '90, was 25 sec. The new record made by Pennell, '93, is 24½ sec.

440 Yards Dash.—The old record made by Pennell, '93, was 1 min. 2 sec. The new record by Wingate, '95, is 1 m. 1¾ sec.

The 100 Yards Dash, in which Garcelon, '90, made the record of 10¾

sec., was made in the same time by Bolster, '95.

The Relay Race was a new feature in Bates Field Day.

The cup was easily won by '93. Their only competitor was '95. Owing to Ivy Day occurring Tuesday, but few men from '94 entered. Small was the only man to win a point for his class. The Seniors went to the DeWitt House in the evening and celebrated their victory by a banquet.

The order of events on the college campus and records are as follows:

1. Standing Broad Jump.—Winner, Pennell, '93, 4 ft. 4 in.; 2d, Bolster, '95; 3d, Hayes, '95.

2. Stretch Kick.—Winner, Sims, '93, 7 ft. 3 in.; 2d, Haynes, '93; 3d, Small, '94.

3. Hitch Kick.—Winner, Hoffman, '93, 7 ft. 7 in.; 2d, Brown, '93; 3d, Pennell, '93.

4. Running Broad Jump.—Winner, Bolster, '95, 20 ft. 4½ in.; 2d, Haynes, '93; 3d, Small, '94.

5. Running High Jump.—Winners, Ross, '93, and Bolster, '95, tie, 5 ft. 2¼ in.; 3d, Bruce, '93.

6. Putting Shot.—Winner, Morrill, '95, 31 ft. 7 in.; 2d, Bruce, '93; 3d, Pennell, '93.

7. Standing Broad Jump.—Winner, Bolster, '95, 9 ft. 4½ in.; 2d, Hayes, '95; 3d, Pennell, '93, and Haynes, '93, tied.

8. Throwing Base-Ball.—Winner, Wakefield, '95, 321.6 ft.; 2d, Pennell, '93; 3d, Mildram, '93.

9. Running High Kick.—Winner, Hoffman, '93, 27 ft., 6½ in.; 2d, Haynes, '93, and Pennell, '93, tied.

10. Pole Vault.—Winner, McFadden, '93, 9 ft. 3 in.; 2d, Moulton, '93; 3d, Haynes, '93.

Track Athletics at State Fair Grounds:

1. Hurdle Race—120 Yards.—Winner, Pennell, '93, $20\frac{3}{4}$ sec.; 2d, Pulsifer, '95; 3d, Bruce, '93.

2. Mile Run.—Winner, Pulsifer, '95, 5 min. 48 sec.; 2d, Haynes, '93; 3d, Bruce, '93.

3. 100 Yards Dash.—Winner, Bolster, '95, $10\frac{3}{4}$ sec.; 2d, Pennell, '93; 3d, Hoffman, '93.

4. Half-Mile Walk.—Winner, Bruce, '93, 4 min. $31\frac{3}{4}$ sec.; 2d, Small, '94; 3d, Purinton, '96.

5. 220 Yards Dash.—Winner, Pennell, '93, $24\frac{1}{2}$ sec.; 2d, Wingate, '95; 3d, Bolster, '95.

6. Half-Mile Run.—Winner, Hoffman, '93, 2 min. $29\frac{1}{2}$ sec.; 2d, Pulsifer, '95; 3d, Small, '94.

7. 440 Yards Dash.—Winner, Wingate, '95, 1 min. $1\frac{3}{4}$ sec.; 2d, Haynes, '93; 3d, Pennell, '93.

8. Two Mile Go-As-You-Please.—Winner, Knapp, '95, 12 min. 40 sec.; 2d, Russell, '95; 3d, Bruce, '93.

Relay Race—One-half Mile.—Teams of four from each class. Winner, '93, 2 min. 40 sec.; 2d, '95; 3d, '96.

STATISTICS OF THE GRADUATING CLASS.

Bates has just graduated her twenty-seventh class, and next to the largest class that ever went forth from this institution. (The class of '81 numbered one more.)

The class numbers thirty-five, eight

of whom are young ladies. This class has been more fortunate than the average, losing but few members, while many classes lose more than one-half of those that enter at the beginning of the course. Four have joined the class since the Freshman year: Joiner, McFadden, Ross, and Swan.

The class has won the Bates Athletic cup for three successive years. Its members have played an important part in the base-ball history of the college. Mildram, pitcher; Pennell, first baseman; and Hoffman, catcher and captain, will be greatly missed. Marden has proved himself an efficient manager, having drawn less from the treasury than any manager for several years.

The musical talents of the class must not be overlooked. Twelve of them are members of the College Band. Brown has been leader of the band for the past year, and also sings second tenor in the Bates Male Quartet. Stickney is director of the quartet and sings first tenor.

Fanning is at present principal of Kingston High School, Kingston, Mass. Lothrop is principal of the Scarborough High School, Scarborough, Me. He intends to remain there another year, and then enter the Cobb Divinity School. Moulton is principal of Monson Academy, Monson, Me. Bruce has the offer of a position in Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C. Irving has been elected principal of North Anson Academy. Miss Gould has been appointed assistant in the high school, Middletown, Ct. C. H. Swan will enter Harvard Law School. E. L.

Haynes will be the manager of Good Will Farm, East Fairfield, Me. M. W. Stickney will be principal of the high school at Brownville, Me. Several others having teaching in view have already been elected to good positions.

The religious views of the class embrace nearly all the isms and ists as follows: Universalism, Catholicism, Methodist, Congregationalist, Baptist, and Free Baptist, while a few have no preference whatever.

The political opinions are less varied. The Republicans number by far the most. There are a few Democrats and Independents.

Bruce will make Bates's seventh colored graduate. He is to be congratulated for his industry and perseverance. Few have had greater obstacles to overcome. He has more than paid his expenses, by any method whereby he could earn an honest penny. He has had great success as a canvasser, and for the past three years he has been janitor of the Main Street F. B. Church. McFadden has been able to meet his expenses, chiefly by teaching and dealing in bicycles. Ross has earned \$900, chiefly by teaching. Many others have earned from a half to three-fourths of their expenses.

But few have kept an accurate account of their expenses, but the average of those reported are nearly \$1,200.

The report below indicates that the class intends that Bates shall maintain her record in furnishing teachers.

The following is a list of the class with a few points of interest:

Howard Burton Adams, Danville Junction: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Alma Grace Bailey, Lewiston: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Annie Lee Bean, Gray: Fitted at Pennell Institute; intended profession, teaching.

Kilburn Charles Brown, East Wilton: Fitted at Wilton Academy; intended profession, medicine.

Nathaniel Coleman Bruce, Danville, Va.: Fitted at Shaw University, N. C.; intended profession, law.

Clara Genevieve Callahan, Lewiston: Fitted at Lewiston High School; intended profession, undecided.

George Millett Chase, Lewiston: Fitted at Lewiston High School; intended profession, teaching.

Harriet Dudley Church, South Strafford, Vt.: Fitted at New Hampton Institute, N. H.; intended profession, teaching.

Grace Patten Conant, Littleton, Mass.: Fitted at Littleton High School; intended profession, teaching.

Jed Fry Fanning, Lubec: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Georgina Elmira Gould, Lewiston: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Edwin Leslie Haynes, Biddeford: Fitted at Biddeford High School; intended profession, teaching.

Mary Josephine Hodgdon, Nashua, N. H.: Fitted at Nashua High School; intended profession, teaching.

Frederick Lewis Hoffman, Melrose, Mass.: Fitted at Melrose High School; intended profession, law.

Arthur Parking Irving, Lewiston: Fitted at Lewiston High School; intended profession, teaching.

Mortimer Eugene Joiner, Pike, N. Y.: Fitted at Pike Seminary; intended profession, teaching.

Ara Brooks Libby, Litchfield Corner: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Charlotte Brooks Little, Lewiston: Fitted at Lewiston High School; intended profession, undecided.

Dorance Bertel Lothrop, Pittsfield: Fitted at Maine Central Institute; intended profession, ministry.

Wilson Cornelius Marden, Swanville: Fitted at Maine Central Institute; intended profession, medicine.

James Bernard McFadden, Lewiston: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, law.

George Lawrens Mildram, Wells: Fitted at North Berwick High School; intended profession, undecided.

Lorenzo Edward Moulton, North New Portland: Fitted at North Anson Academy; intended profession, teaching.

Edgar Llewellyn Pennell, Auburn: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Everett Clifton Perkins, Wells Branch: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, undecided.

Leland Alla Ross, Charleston: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

William Fisher Sims, Rippon, West Virginia: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, teaching.

Ernest William Small, Biddeford: Fitted at Biddeford High School; intended profession, teaching.

Chesman Chadwick Spratt, East Palermo: Fitted at Maine Central Institute; intended profession, teaching.

Myron Wilder Stickney, Brownville: Fitted at the Latin School; intended profession, medicine.

Ralph Alonzo Sturges, Lewiston: Fitted at Lewiston High School; intended profession, journalism.

John Sturgis, Auburn: Fitted at Edward Little High School; intended profession, medicine.

Charles Herbert Swan, Jr., Roxbury District, Boston, Mass.: Fitted at Roxbury High School; intended profession, law.

Evelyn James Winslow, Barton Landing, Vt.: Fitted at Lyndon Institute, Vt.; intended profession, teaching.

Arthur Charles Yetton, Rochester, N. H.: Fitted at Rochester High School; intended profession, teaching.

INTERCOLLEGIATE TENNIS.

While Bates secured none of the prize cups at the Portland Inter-Collegiate Tennis Tournament this spring, yet we have every reason to feel encouraged for the future. It happened that not one player of tournament ex-

perience remained at the beginning of the year. In spite of this circumstance, however, we developed young and promising players, who took positions a close second to the winners of the tournament, who were particularly fortunate in being able to present former representatives and experienced players.

Quite unexpectedly, class or personal preferences influenced the choice of representatives in singles, which very likely deprived us of second place. The result of the doubles was especially gratifying. Our first team easily defeated Bowdoin's first, while our second team double discounted the first team from Colby and Maine State. An unfortunate circumstance was that our first team, tired by the match with Dana and Payson, was obliged to go immediately against Bowdoin's second team, Pickard and Pierce, by whom they were narrowly beaten. This brought the final match in doubles between Bates and Bowdoin, represented by Boothby and Hilton and Pickard and Pierce, respectively. This was pronounced by spectators and reporters as the most exciting and hotly contested match ever played in Portland. Our Freshmen easily secured the first two sets from the Bowdoin upperclassmen and came within one point of the third and decisive set; but here came the rub. Though stubbornly opposed, experience told, and, point by point, the Bowdoin men pulled out the match. Our opponents cannot but respect the future of our representatives, whom we predict will be prize winners during the two and three years remaining in

their college course. Appended is the list of matches :

SINGLES.

FIRST ROUND.

Dana (Bowdoin) defeated Stimson (Colby).
Haywood (M. S. C.) defeated Joiner (Bates).
Pierce (Bowdoin) defeated Perkins (Colby).
Wakefield (Bates) defeated Gibbs (M. S. C.).

SECOND ROUND.

Dana defeated Haywood.
Pierce defeated Wakefield.

FINALS.

Dana defeated Pierce, 6-1, 6-3, 10-8.

FIRST ROUND.

Pierce and Pickard (Bowdoin) defeated Stimson and Millett (Colby). Wakefield and Pettigrew (Bates) defeated Payson and Dana (Bowdoin). Perkins and Conners (Colby) defeated Murray and Smith (M. S. C.). Boothby and Hilton (Bates) defeated Haywood and Gibbs (M. S. C.).

SECOND ROUND.

Boothby and Hilton defeated Perkins and Conners. Pierce and Pickard defeated Wakefield and Pettigrew.

FINALS.

Pierce and Pickard defeated Boothby and Hilton, 4-6, 4-6, 9-7, 10-8, 10-8.

BASE-BALL.

The STUDENT is sorry to go to press with the destination of the Maine Inter-collegiate pennant for '93 still undecided. We wish it were to-day floating on the campus. But considering the unfavorable start which our team made, considering that we lost three valuable men last year, and that the late season prevented anything like a proper amount of practice before the opening of the league; considering all things, it seems to us that deep satisfaction with the team's work ought to prevail students and alumni.

After losing two games by such overwhelming scores, it required no light

degree of pluck and perseverance to take seven straight games, and tie our Brunswick rivals for the pennant. In fact, it was a feat no less remarkable than the historic accomplishment of '89, and had the other teams divided victory as evenly as then, the pennant would be already ours. This, of course, was a matter of luck, and remains to be overcome by persistent hard work. The boys are busily practicing, and whatever the result of the coming game, let us as students show our appreciation of their efforts and their record. Following are the scores of the league games played since our last issue :

At Lewiston, May 30th :

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b.,	5	1	1	1	3	0	2
Campbell, c.f.,	5	1	1	2	3	0	0
Hoffman, c.,	3	2	1	1	0	3	1
Pennell, 1b.,	5	0	3	4	10	0	0
Brackett, s.s.,	4	2	1	2	2	3	0
Gerrish, r.f.,	5	1	1	1	1	0	1
Douglass, 2b.,	2	1	1	2	0	3	1
Pulsifer, l.f.,	4	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mildram, p.,	4	0	0	0	1	3	2
Totals,	37	8	9	16	27	11	8

COLBY.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Hall, 1b.,	0	0	1	1	16	0	2
Hoxie, 2b.,	4	2	1	1	1	6	0
Latlip, l.f.,	5	0	1	1	1	0	0
Purinton, r.f.,	5	1	0	0	0	0	0
Coffin, c.,	4	1	0	0	5	0	0
Jackson, s.s.,	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lombard, c.f.,	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nichols, 3b.,	1	1	0	0	0	11	0
Whitman, p.,	4	0	1	1	0	1	0
Totals,	32	5	4	4	24	18	2

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bates,	2	0	3	0	1	1	0	1	x-8
Colby,	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1-5

Earned runs—Bates, 3. Three-base hit—Douglass. Two-base hits—Campbell, Pennell,

Brackett. Stolen bases—Hall, Coffin, Nichols, Wakefield, Hoffman, Pennell, Douglass, Mildram. First base on balls—by Mildram, Hall 2, Hoxie, Jackson, 2, Douglass, Nichols 3; by Whitman, Hoffman, 2, Brackett. First base on errors—Bates, 2; Colby, 4. Hit by pitched ball—by Whitman, Douglass. Passed balls—Coffin, 4. Wild pitches—Mildram, 4, Whitman. Struck out—by Mildram, Hoxie, Purinton, Lombard, 2, Whitman; by Whitman, Wakefield, Mildram. Double plays—Brackett to Pennell. Umpire—Kelley. Time—2 hours 15 minutes.

At Waterville, May 24th :

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., .	7	4	3	4	1	1	0
Campbell, l.f., c.f.,	6	5	3	3	2	1	1
Hoffman, c., .	5	4	3	3	5	3	1
Pennell, p., 1b., .	6	3	4	9	14	2	0
Brackett, s.s., .	5	1	0	0	1	3	1
Gerrish, c.f., r.f., .	6	3	4	4	1	0	1
Douglass, 2b., .	4	2	1	1	3	2	2
Pulsifer, 1b., l.f., .	4	2	1	1	0	0	3
Mildram, p., .	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marden, r.f., .	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals, . . .	47	24	19	25	27	12	8

BOWDOIN.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Fairbanks, 3b., .	5	3	0	0	1	1	3
Savage, 1b., . . .	4	3	2	6	7	0	1
Hinkley, l.f., . .	5	1	3	4	1	0	2
Williams, s.s., p.,	4	2	2	5	4	1	1
Sykes, 2b., . . .	3	1	0	0	2	3	1
Allen, r.f., s.s., .	3	0	0	0	1	2	2
Chapman, c.f., . .	5	1	0	0	0	0	4
Hutchinson, c., .	4	2	2	3	8	1	1
Plaisted, p., . . .	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leighton, r.f., . .	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Totals, . . .	38	13	9	18	24	9	17

At Waterville, June 9th :

BATES.

	A.B.	R.	1b.	T.B.	S.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Wakefield, 3b., .	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Campbell, c.f., .	4	1	0	0	0	2	0	1
Hoffman, c., . .	4	3	1	1	1	5	1	0
Pennell, 1b., . .	4	3	3	4	1	7	0	0
Brackett, s.s., .	5	0	1	1	0	5	4	1
Gerrish, r.f., . .	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	0
Douglass, 2b., .	3	1	1	1	0	6	5	1
Pulsifer, 1b., l.f.,	3	0	1	1	0	1	0	0
Mildram, p., . .	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Totals, . . .	35	11	9	10	4	27	11	5

COLBY.

	A.B.	R.	B.H.	T.B.	S.B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Hall, 1b., . . .	4	2	1	1	0	9	0	1
Hoxie, 2b., . . .	4	2	2	2	1	2	1	3
Latlip, l.f., . . .	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	2
Purinton, r.f., .	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Coffin, c., . . .	4	1	1	1	0	4	7	0
Jackson, s.s., . .	5	0	1	3	0	2	4	0
Lombard, c.f., . .	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nichols, 3b., . .	4	0	0	0	0	4	0	3
Whitman, p., . .	5	2	2	2	0	0	2	0
Totals, . . .	37	9	9	11	3	23*	15	10

*Brackett out; hit by batted ball.

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bates, . . .	0	0	4	0	2	2	2	1	x—11
Colby, . . .	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	4—9

Earned runs—Bates, 2. Double play—Douglass to Pennell. Base on called balls—by Whitman, 3; by Mildram, 3. Hit by pitched ball—by Whitman, 4; by Mildram, 1. Struck out—by Whitman, 6; by Mildram, 3. Wild pitches—Mildram, 1. Passed balls—Coffin, 1. Time of game 2 hours. Umpire—Kelley.

At Bangor, May 26th :

SCORE BY INNINGS.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bates, . . .	3	0	5	11	4	3	0	1	1—28
M. S. C., . . .	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	1	1—8

To the ball players the pleasantest feature of the season's work was the week's trip from June 22d to 27th. Manager Marden spared no pains to make the trip one of the pleasantest the Bates boys ever took, and every member of the team voted it an unqualified success both for enjoyment and practice. In the different places visited, many courtesies were received, the M. C. I. boys taking the lead in the thoughtfulness of their entertainment, even getting up a sociable for the evening. Spare moments were profitably spent in looking over the towns visited, which, as usual had more or less interesting features. Besides winning two league games on the

trip as above given, three practice games were played, resulting as follows :

At Madison, May 23d :

SCORE BY INNINGS.										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Bates, . . .	2	0	3	1	0	0	2	3	3	—14
Madison, . .	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	1	—8

At Pittsfield, May 25th :

SCORE BY INNINGS											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Bates, . . .	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	—4
M. C. I., . .	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	—5

At Newport, June 27th :

SCORE BY INNINGS.									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bates, . . .	2	0	0	0	3	3	2	3	0—13
Newport, . .	7	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0—9

A SHUT-OUT BY BATES.

At South Paris, June 17th :

SCORE BY INNINGS.									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bates, . . .	2	0	0	0	5	5	0	0	x—12
South Paris, .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

TUFTS COLLEGE, MASS., April 23, 1893.

Mr. C. W. Marden, Dear Sir,—We will probably come down on the boat to Portland, Monday night, and if rain should prevent a game next day, shall expect two-thirds of the guarantee. Though, as we have had poor weather the past week, it is probable it will be fair during the present. Our batting order is, Foss, c, Corridan, s.s., Martin, 1b, Haynes, r.f., Johnston, 3b, Wilson and Peirce, p., Clayton, l.f., Stroud, c.f., Smith, 2b.

Very truly,

C. C. STROUD.

The above letter was received by the Bates management from C. C. Stroud, manager of the Tufts College ball team,

before the Bates-Tufts game of April 25th. As it rained all of the forenoon and even to nearly the time of calling the game, the grounds were not in condition to play the game, but the Bates manager kindly consented to do his best to get the grounds in a condition that the game might be played if possible. This was done, as an agreement was made before the game with the Tufts manager that the guarantee should be \$35, the same as agreed, on account of rain. After the game was played, under this agreement, and when the Bates management would not have played the game on account of the condition of the grounds, except to help Tufts out financially, as they were in the city, it seems not only grossly unfair to represent things as was done in the Tuftonian, but very childish, for it shows a sad want of those manly principles which should characterize a business man of to-day, be he a base-ball manager, or whatever.

We have just examined a series of Arithmetics by John W. Cook and Miss N. Cropsey. The authors are to be congratulated on the complete success of their undertaking. The most praiseworthy feature of the work is the comparative absence or simplification of long and abstruse rules and definitions. It is simple, concise, and practical. Published by Silver, Burdett & Co., Boston, New York, and Chicago.

Alumni Department.

THE WORK AND NEEDS OF THE LATIN SCHOOL.

To the Editors of the Student:

THE Latin School represents the Classical Department of Maine State Seminary. This in 1863, when Bates College was chartered, became the Preparatory Department of the college, and continued to be connected with it until 1868. At this time the Maine State Seminary was removed to Pittsfield and named the Maine Central Institute, and the Preparatory Department of the college was reorganized under the name of Nichols Latin School and located in the Theological School building, its present quarters. Later the name of Nichols was dropped and the school took its present name, The Latin School. It holds among its alumni the names of all that graduated from the Classical Department of the Maine State Seminary. The school is under the management of the corporation of Bates College, and its purpose is to give a thorough preparation for the college. Although most of our students enter Bates, yet pupils intending to enter other colleges are welcome. There are, accordingly, representatives of this school among the alumni of Columbia, Yale, Harvard, Amherst, Bowdoin, and several other New England colleges.

An earnest desire for the highest attainment in scholarship and character is maintained throughout the school. This is largely due to the fact that the pupils in the main come

imbued with an eager desire for study and a fixed purpose to obtain an education. Such students of course respond most completely to the art and science of the teacher in instruction and in guidance, and their influence readily becomes the predominant spirit. Those who come wanting this desire for study, either quickly imbibe the scholarly atmosphere of the school or fall out for lack of capacity for classical training. It is, however, rare that a student leaves the Latin School. Whenever he does leave it is due usually to some financial circumstance beyond the control of himself and his teachers.

The school is under self-government. The pupils work together under the leadership of their teachers for the good of the school and for the highest good of each other. The wise teacher does not demand in young pupils either breadth of comprehension and accuracy of judgment that supervene on experience or a steady self-control that comes only as character is established through the struggle of the involuntary and voluntary emotions in the conflict of real life. He looks for teachableness. He endeavors to develop more and more those qualities by which Jacobi characterizes a fine soul. By this he says, "You mean a soul that is quick to perceive the better, clear to set it in the light, immovable to hold it." This characteristic has been possessed by students of the Latin School in an eminent degree. Such a spirit of honesty

and manliness pervades the school that *students* usually report whatever part they may have taken in any damages about the building. Frequently, moreover, such damages have been repaired without my direction and without even my knowledge of the subject of the accident. This character is further manifest in the spirit of good-will and helpfulness of the pupils. Through this, class bias is lost in the feeling that "makes all men kin." It has become the ambition of the Senior from his higher culture to aid the Middler and the Middler the Junior. The happy result of this feeling among the students is felt through all their relations with one another in their sports, their studies, and in their Literary Society.

It has especially been brought to my notice through the zeal of the students in bringing others to the school. Said a young man several years ago upon his graduation from the Latin School, "I came here a crude boy from the country dressed in coarse clothing and I have in every way been treated as the *best*. I shall recommend the Latin School wherever I go." This young man and others have brought pupils to the school in numbers of two and three, and in several instances, in numbers of six and seven. This spirit is one of the highest tests that the mind is becoming into complete actuality, that it rejoices in the truth and in bringing others into the knowledge of it. It has been manifest in several of the great epochs of history, at the reawakening of the intellect of man, and especially at the founding of the universities of

Greece, in the days of Plato, Aristotle, and Pericles. But no individual instance of this spirit of all history surpasses in sincerity of purpose and endeavor that of many of the Latin School students. Associated with such young men and women my life has been blessed far above the ordinary lot of man. Amid such students, teaching, like virtue, has its own reward.

The whole number of pupils in the school this year is fifty-eight. The graduating classes for several years have averaged over twenty. The present class numbers fourteen. The next graduating class will probably be the largest in the history of the school, numbering twenty-seven or eight. The whole number of graduates of the school, including the present Senior class, is 507; 210 of these have graduated since I have been principal of the school, within the last thirteen years.

The assistant teachers of the school are chosen from the college and theological students. It is the purpose to select the most experienced and successful. Usually in our selection we have been eminently fortunate. We endeavor to have a teacher remain at least a year. In many instances they have remained three or four, and upon graduating have obtained positions of large salaries. Some of these have become eminent in higher institutions of learning. The teachers of the school are actuated by the same spirit of helpfulness that characterizes the pupils. I owe a deep debt of gratitude to the many faithful teachers with whom I have been associated in the school.

Since the purpose of the school is to fit students for Bates College, its curriculum of study is arranged to meet the requirements of admission to this institution. Its course of study extends over three years, and embraces Latin, Greek, Mathematics, Ancient Geography, Ancient History, Elocution, and Rhetoric.

The pupils of the Junior year have weekly exercises in the study of language and elocution. The two upper classes have weekly exercises in Rhetoric and the study of some American and English Classic. Supplementary to the study of language, all the pupils of the school have special drill in elocution. This training in the form of oratory, the Greek and Roman held in high esteem; Quintilian and Cicero make it the supreme end of education. In our curriculum we regard it a vital educational force in developing both thought and artistic thought forms.

Our course in mathematics is so arranged that all the studies in this are reviewed in the Senior year. In this year greater attention is given to the application of mathematical principles to new data, and to the solution of original problems.

The historical study as far as possible with the age of the pupils is conducted on the library plan, and frequent reference is made to this in the study of geography and of the classics.

We believe in the work that we are doing in our classical studies. To understand the trend of the thought of the age, new studies are certainly demanded, and as preparation for these is made in the college, changes

in our course will necessarily follow. But while we are educated to understand our environment, we must be educated to create a higher. The basis of the highest attainment in intellectual culture and of the highest power of genius lies in the thorough study of the classics. The Greeks, possessing the acutest intellect of the world, were moulded by the study and use of the most highly developed language of the world, and the great spirits since their time have all drunk deep at this fountain of inspiration. With the youth, at least, the ancient classics are the only studies in literature that he fully appreciates. They represent the childhood of the world with its simple, natural life. They are written by the great master spirits, as Homer and Virgil, and present a literature far more tangible than the modern in thought, emotion, and expression. As a means of culture they present the widest field of view. In the study of the classics, the pupil constantly exercised in the three-fold nature of his mind, in the co-ordination and correlation of knowledge, most rapidly approaches the unity of being in thought and action, which is the end of all education. This, in its highest state, approaches genius, the harmony of the Greek mind and the inspiration of the Hebrew.

The scholar has no quarrel with the bread-and-butter educationalist, but he holds fast to the great inheritance of the past embodied in ancient literature. Science by itself is all eyes, and so destitute are some of our leading scientists of the power of psychological investigation, that they rid them-

selves entirely of this bugbear by affirming that there are no self-conscious data.

Even Pestalozzi, who introduced the objective method, laid the greatest stress in quickening a boy's intellect on the use of language; Rosmini, whose philosophy has become the highest exposition of pedagogical science, says, in speaking of the older forms of speech, "Language is the universal instrument provided by nature for the intellectual development of man." By a thorough knowledge of this the child is made "a man of exquisite discernment and acute logical faculty with accurate well-grounded knowledge."

This is one of the objects in the study of the classics in the Latin School. Our first aim is to acquire the form and idioms of the language. Later, greater attention is given to the science and art forms of language in developing the pupil's intellect, taste, will. As the pupil advances he approaches that state which we have termed the highest condition of mind, where the forces of his being, amid a thousand influences of environment and conflicting data, give forth a perfect product. In no other study than in the languages is there sufficient field of view presented, to enable the pupil to acquire so readily this highest faculty of the mind, of abstracting amid a multiplicity of data instantly and accurately the truth. Hence in the Latin School we are fitting pupils not only to read Livy and Lysias, but for the higher work of college life, to understand the complex data of Social

Science, and especially to comprehend the highest forms of physiological and philosophical research.

The graduates of this school in college have taken rank with students that have taken one and two years longer in preparation. In real life they have taken a stand among the very first alumni of their respective colleges. One of its graduates sits on the bench of the chief-justices of Maine. Two are college presidents. Fourteen have filled college professorships, representing Bates, Hillsdale, Storer, Rutgers, Cornell, Johns Hopkins, and Colorado universities. Its graduates are filling positions as supervisors of schools, principals of high schools and academies in the leading villages and cities of New England. As doctors and lawyers, they are practicing in the largest cities from Maine to California. Its alumni have filled pastorates in Bath, Portland, Auburn, Biddeford, Augusta, Boston, Chelsea, Providence, Philadelphia, St. Paul, Minneapolis, St. Louis, and Oakland. The school has produced writers occupying prominent positions upon the leading papers and magazines of the country, as the *Youth's Companion*, *Churchman*, *New York World*, *The Congregationalist*, *The Nation*, *The Atlantic*, *Harper's*, and the *Century*. Its business men are filling important positions in Lewiston, Auburn, Augusta, Portland, Portsmouth, Boston, New York; St. Paul, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha, and other places of the West. Its alumni are found not only among those who are developing the resources of the country, but



JAMES H. BAKER, '73, PRESIDENT OF BOULDER UNIVERSITY, BOULDER, COLO.

among those who, as judges, mayors, district and state attorneys, state and national representatives, are managing the affairs of the government. A local paper has recently said that "It is doubtful if any other institution of its age has had so great an influence in moulding the character of and forming correct business habits of its students, and none, perhaps, a wider influence on the country."

The school should have an independent building. This, with appurtenances, should be suited to the age and needs of our pupils. With such a building, a permanent board of instructors could be attached to the school. The course of study could be extended by adding both new studies and a preparatory year. Although, as we have shown, buildings do not make a school, yet they are a necessary aid in creating the best environment for the students, and ensuring the highest efficiency of a school. With a building suited to our needs the Latin School would rapidly increase in numbers and become a far more valuable fitting school for the college than it has been in the past.

I. F. FRISBEE, *Principal*.

JAMES H. BAKER.

JAMES H. BAKER, '73, whose likeness appears on the opposite page, is among Bates's most prominent and successful alumni. As President of Boulder University he is acquiring an enviable reputation among the educators of the West. From the "Columbine," a finely printed and handsomely bound volume, published in the

university and dedicated to their honored President, we clip the following concerning Dr. Baker's life:

James H. Baker was born in Harmony, Me., October 13, 1848. In 1873 he was graduated from Bates College, taking second honors in a large class. After graduation, he was engaged as principal of the Yarmouth High School, which position he left, in 1875, to take charge of the Denver (Col.) High School. During his administration of seventeen years, the daily attendance has increased from fifty to seven hundred. In 1882 he had a virtual offer of the presidency of the Colorado State Agricultural College, but decided to remain in the high school. During the next few years he was elected a member of the National Council of Education, and made chairman of the National Committee on the Relation of High Schools to Colleges. In 1891 his leadership was acknowledged by his election to the presidency of the highest educational council known to this country.

President Baker has added considerably to his reputation by a work on Psychology that has been highly complimented by the press and that has been extensively introduced into high schools and academies.

A BATES ALUMNUS.

WE ARE pleased to present to our readers this month the picture of a Bates man who does honor to his *Alma Mater*. Mr. Spear has figured prominently in Maine politics for many years, and during this time he has maintained an active interest in everything concerning the welfare of Bates. The following is a short sketch of his life:

He was born in 1853. His early home was Litchfield, where he began his education in the town schools. Later on he fitted for college at Waterville Classical Institute, and graduated from Bates College in the class of '75. After graduation he taught for two

years at Anson Academy, and then took up the study of law with the firm of Hutchinson & Savage, Lewiston, being admitted to the Kennebec Bar in 1878. He practiced law in Hallowell nearly seven years, and then removed



HON. A. M. SPEAR.

to Gardiner, his present home. While in Hallowell he served as chairman of the school board for the entire seven years, was city solicitor six years, and also a member of the common council and board of aldermen five years.

In 1883 he was elected a member of the Maine House of Representatives, and served on the committees of legal affairs and revision of the statutes. In 1885 he was again elected to the Legislature, and served as chairman of the committee on legal affairs. He was a member of the last Senate, and this year was elected president of the Senate.

He was elected mayor of Gardiner in 1889 and 1890, and unanimously re-elected in 1891 and 1892. He has stumped the State for the Republican party in every presidential election since 1878, and has always been a staunch Republican. Mr. Spear was married to Miss Helen F. Andrews and has two children.

He has served as a Trustee of Bates College for several years, and is looked up to as a good example of a successful college graduate.

IN MEMORIAM.



PROF. I. C. DENNETT, '73.

[A sketch of Dr. Dennett will be found in the *STUDENT* of last February.]



WILLIAM C. BUCK.

SIX years have rolled by—six years with their freightage of successes, failures, joys, and sorrows—since we sang “Good-bye, *Alma Mater*.” The bonds that bound us close and made us one in college, golden, and made more tender by time, the years have only served to strengthen. Now for the first time during these years the majesty of death has stalked among us, and with silent, quick, mysterious hand has borne away from us our bright, talented Willie, leaving the whole class bowed in sorrow. Every member of the class was his friend. All had watched his successes with admiration; each hoped brightest things for his future. A favorite with every one, to us all the news of his sudden death brought a peculiar sadness, in which each felt a sense of personal bereavement.

For me, I had known him since we were boys together in the Fitting School; had been with him in the class room, the social room, in the class contest, on the ball field, and on the tennis court; had walked with him, talked with him, roomed with him; had felt the warm pulse throbs of his generous nature, and been thrilled by his noblest heart beats; I knew his hopes, his worthy ambitions; I was proud of his rich endowments, glad in his early triumphs. Between us there had sprung up and grown and become strong a friendship firm and lasting. In the loss of such a friend there is much that language was never meant to express,—something for which the touch of words seems all too rude.

The story of his life briefly told is this: William Crosby Buck was born in the village of Milton Mills, N. H., January 20, 1867. Here amid the wooded hills, with their stories of strength and grandeur; here by the beautiful river; here by the laughing brooks he played as a child; here his boyhood days were spent; here by a fond Christian mother’s knee he learned life’s earliest, most precious lessons; here a proud father gazed lovingly upon him and beheld in his bright boy the promise of all he had hoped in his profession. His father was the late Dr. J. C. Buck. On his mother’s side learned physicians grace the family annals, and his father and grandfather before him had been in their time the most distinguished physicians and surgeons in their respective localities. Through him it was hoped that the family reputation in medicine might be

carried still higher. To this end early attention was given to his education.

The story of his school-life is a history of successes, with no failures. No examination or test was ever required of him that he did not take with gratifying credit. After attending the town schools in his native village, he spent two terms at Lindsay Academy, in the neighboring town of Shapleigh. He then went to Nichols Latin School to complete his preparation for college, graduating in 1883. Here, at the age of sixteen, he won first prize for excellence in the Greek language and composition. August 27, 1883, he entered Bates College, graduating with honors in 1887, at the age of twenty, and receiving first rank in Ancient Languages and Mathematics. After graduating he was elected principal of the West Lebanon Academy, where he taught one year, resigning his position in September, 1888, to accept the principalship of Somerset Academy, Athens, Maine. Here, after teaching one term, he took a severe cold from over-exertion and exposure, while endeavoring with his characteristic generosity and self-forgetfulness, to rescue the furniture of the people with whom he boarded from their burning home. From this, diphtheria followed, resulting in a form of acute Bright's disease. For months he was dangerously ill. By the utmost attention, and most careful, tender nursing, he was brought back to seeming health, and it was thought and hoped that he had fully recovered; but the sad end, four years later, proved that the dread disease had

not left him, but through all the years had been silently and insidiously working at the vitals of his young life. In the fall of 1889 he was elected principal of the high school at Broadbrook, Conn., where he taught until February 12, 1890, when he resigned to accept an appointment at Washington, D. C., as a clerk in the Census office, for which position he had qualified by having successfully passed the necessary Civil Service examination. Here, in connection with his work in the government employ, he entered upon his study of medicine in the Columbian University. For three years, with the fatal malady still upon him, he had pursued his course of study here, graduating with distinguished honors, while all the time performing with marked ability his duties in the government employ.

In the Census office, his quick perception, his rare executive ability, and his fidelity to duty won for him early promotion. August 1, 1890, he was promoted with increase of salary. January 1, 1891, he was placed at the head of a department, having under his supervision a force of one hundred and eighty clerks. His complete mastery of all the details of this trying position won for him still further promotion, and July 22, 1891, he resigned to enter the Treasury Department. His ability now fully recognized, August 14, 1891, he received an appointment in the Adjutant-General's office in the War Department. Here, in June, 1892, he was promoted to class one. December 24, 1892, he resigned his position in the War Department to

accept the position of Resident Student in the Children's Hospital of Washington, D. C., which position he won in a competitive examination between ten students of the Columbian Medical College and an equal number from the Georgetown Medical College. In this contest out of a possible 100 he made the mark of 99. During his medical course he received a prize for excellence in Dermatology, and in the spring of 1891 he received the prize for excellence in the preliminary examinations.

At the Children's Hospital during the epidemic of measles which swept through the institution, attacking patients, nurses, and physician alike, he had done more than his share in caring for the sick. This over-work, with a severe cold, doubtless produced the fatal culmination. He had passed his final medical examinations, attaining in them all a mark of rare excellence, and was to receive his diploma the following week. Here after the years of study; here on this eminence of acquirement, just as he stood with gladdened eye looking out into fields bright with promises of professional distinction and future usefulness; here, after he had written into the banner of achievement all that the expectant love of friends could have hoped for him; here, rich in attainment, with his honors full upon him; here Death found him, an object worthy of his archery! He died at the Children's Hospital, Friday, April 28th, at 6 o'clock P.M., after an illness of but twenty-six hours.

The climax of pathos, in the taking away of this life in the full flush of young hope, seems to have been

reached when at the graduating exercises of the Medical School, in Albaugh's Opera House, May 4th, Dr. Johnston, with choking voice, announced to the medical students, in the presence of that great audience, that to student Buck, who had made the record of 135.5 out of a possible 140, had been awarded first honor in his class of thirty-one. The prize, fifty dollars in gold, was sent home to his family—sad memento of his successful work in the University! Around it will forever cluster memories hallowed and sacred—memories of brave, heroic struggle with destroying disease; proud memories of rare attainment and worthy achievement.

It was his to make friends wherever he went. During his six months' stay at the Children's Hospital his frank, genial ways, his manliness, his kindly manner, his active sympathy with misfortune and suffering had endeared him to all, and, at the request of the physicians, matron, and nurses, a brief funeral service, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Greene, was held at the Hospital. At the home of his sister, Mrs. James E. Berry, 1338 G Street, N. W., funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Dr. Greene, were held Sunday, at 1 o'clock P.M., attended by a large number of his Washington friends. The medical students of his class escorted the remains to the depot, from whence the body was sent to his old home, Milton Mills, N. H. Here the final funeral service was held, May 2, conducted by the Rev. E. N. Fernald, and the remains interred in the family lot of the Bucks. There, mid the

scenes of his childhood; there beneath the lilies and roses, at the age of twenty-six, sleeps the friend we loved.

By nature he was admirably fitted for his chosen calling, and there can be no doubt but that had he lived he would have made for himself, in his profession, a brilliant and distinguished future. Into whatever field he had entered his rich qualities of heart, brain, and intellect fitted him for a noble work in life. Whatever he had undertaken he had already touched with the genius of success. His mind was alert, quick, active, capable of the utmost concentration, and accurate in its conclusions. His powers of analysis and discrimination were of the highest order. Acute in perception, he grasped at a glance what others labored to accomplish.

Buoyant, light-hearted, cheery always, fond of games and sports, and seemingly careless, yet he felt most deeply the seriousness of life. He had read much. He had no taste for trashy reading, but he was fond of history and books of travel. He took great delight in the writings of Dickens and George Eliot, and read with peculiar pleasure the historical novels of Walter Scott. During his latter days he was much interested in George Eber's works of history and travel. Few young men of his age had a wider range of general information. Modest, with no pretensions he was one of the brightest intellects I have ever met.

Frank, genial, generous, sympathetic, and affectionate, in friendship he was loyal and true always. The rare charm of his bright, cheery per-

sonality, the chivalry of his warm heart and kindly manners attached to him all with whom he came in contact. Full of life, with charity and kindly feeling for all, he was fond of society, and was warmly welcomed wherever he went. His entry into the social gathering was the signal on all sides for glad, approving smiles. I think it is no more than what any member of the class would say when I say that within my knowledge no man has graduated from Bates College with more friends in the institution and the two cities.

His spirit was as gentle as a woman's, yet in him was the stern stuff of truest manhood. He was filled with high ideals and noble aspirations. There was nothing low or sordid in his nature. The sterling qualities of his character were tested in his life and contact in Washington with men of varying morals and standards of living, and from that ordeal he came out the same pure, high-minded boy we knew in college. He made no claims of virtue, but he was of that select company of the truly good who are good unconsciously. With no enemies, his eulogy is the tender, affectionate remembrance of his friends.

We cannot understand it all. But that such a life, young, rich in hope and promise, should be cut down in a day is to me the strongest proof that we shall see our friend again. Brief in years, his life was yet a grand success. The rare, rich flowers that love placed above him soon wither; but the memories of his manly qualities, his noble virtues, will forever, like sweetest

flowers, perfume and make better the lives of his friends.

Then, while reverently bowing to the inscrutable Providence that has taken him from us, let us accept the smile that lingered and played about his dying lips, as a token of his happy entrance into a land where friend meets friend, and where parting and death come not.

LEONARD G. ROBERTS, '87.

PERSONALS.

'69.—Rev. W. H. Bolster, pastor of Harvard Street Church, Boston, gave, on June 5th, in the New Old South Church, the annual sermon before the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company. It was the 225th anniversary of the company, it being the oldest military organization in the United States. Mr. Bolster's sermon was listened to by Governor Russell, among other honorable guests, and was a very thoughtful and eloquent production. It was fully reported in the Boston papers of June 6th.

'70.—At the graduation exercises of the high school, Bristol, Conn., Ralph L. Raymond, son of C. E. Raymond, Bates, '70, editor of the *Bristol Herald*, received a prize for the excellence of his essay.

'71.—James N. Ham, Superintendent of Schools, Lexington, Mass., has been elected to fill the same position at Natick.

'72.—G. H. Stockbridge, electrical expert and patent solicitor, 39 Cortlandt Street, New York, is recognized

as in the front rank of a very difficult and responsible branch of his profession. Mr. Stockbridge has a poem on Columbus in the *New England Magazine* for June.

'73.—The *Lewiston Journal* of June 17th contains a three-column article from the pen of a Washington correspondent describing some of the experiences of Charles B. Reade, as Deputy Sergeant-at-arms of the United States Senate, in conducting senatorial committees about the country. A portrait of Mr. Reade is published in connection with the article.

'74.—J. H. Hoffman, pastor of the Union Congregational Church, Peterborough, N. H., is about to make an extensive tour through the northwestern states.

'74.—F. L. Noble, Esq., delivered the Memorial address at Phillips.

'75.—Hon. A. M. Spear delivered the Memorial address at South Gardiner.

'76.—O. W. Collins, M.D., South Framingham, Mass., has been visiting Maine city high schools in search of a teacher of Science for the Framingham High School.

'77.—Miss J. R. North and Mrs. C. M. Warner Moorehouse, of Bristol, Conn., are about to make a thorough study of the Exposition at Chicago.

'77.—The Auburn non-partisan W. C. T. U. recently passed resolutions complimentary to County Attorney Oakes, for his services against the violators of the prohibitory law.

'80.—I. F. Frisbee, principal of the Latin School, just gave a series of valuable lectures before his school. Mr.

Frisbee receives this year the degree of Ph.D. from the University of the City of New York, having completed a four years' course in the School of Pedagogy of that institution.

'80.—M. G. Newton, M.D., gave a poem at the Memorial Day exercises at Sabatis.

'81.—O. H. Drake has resigned the principalship of Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, Me.

'81.—J. E. Holton has resigned his position in the Maine Central Institute, and intends to give a year to rest and study.

'81.—Rev. H. E. Foss has been re-appointed pastor of Grace Church, Bangor.

'82.—G. P. Emmons, M.D., resident physician for the Central Maine General Hospital, contributes an interesting part to the annual report of that institution just issued. Dr. Emmons was elected a member of the Maine Medical Association at its recent meeting in Portland.

'82.—Rev. O. H. Tracy, general secretary of the Free Baptist Association of Minnesota, has received and accepted a unanimous call to become pastor of the Free Baptist church of Great Falls, N. H. He will soon return to his home in Lewiston.

'83.—J. L. Reade, editor of the *Auburn Gazette*, recently gave an exceedingly interesting talk on "Journalism" before the Eurosophian Society.

'83.—Rev. W. H. Barker was appointed to the church at Goodwin's Mills in the Portland District at the late meeting of the Maine Methodist Conference.

'83.—F. E. Foss, instructor in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has accepted a position in Pennsylvania State University as assistant professor of Civil Engineering, in charge of the department.

'83.—O. L. Frisbee was married May 22d, to Miss Mildred Dearing, of Portsmouth, N. H.

'85.—C. A. Washburn has resigned his position as sub-master in the Augusta High School, and accepted a similar position in the high school at South Framingham, Mass.

'86.—S. G. Bonney, M.D., is having a large practice in Denver, Col. He is also interested in a richly paying silver mine in that state.

'86.—E. F. Burrell, who for several years was a member of this class, has won a high reputation as a scholar and a teacher in the high School at Oakland, Cal.

'86.—A. H. Dunn, lately of Golden, Col., has been elected principal of the high school at Fort Collins, Col. His predecessor in that position, E. D. Varney, also of '86, is about to remove to Chicago to take the theological course in the Chicago University.

'86.—Hon. J. H. Williamson, County Judge of Lake County, South Dakota, is president of the Lake Madison Chautauqua Association and J. W. Goff is one of the directors. Mr. Williamson and Mr. Goff, law partners at Madison, are members of the class of '86.

'87.—Mr. Israel Jordan, '87, was ordained and installed pastor of the Congregational church at Bethel, June 1st. Rev. B. S. Rideout, '81, of

the Congregational church at Norway, delivered the address to the people.

'87.—We notice by the *Lewiston Journal* of June 6th, that Dr. Ezra Sprague, formerly of this city, has been appointed to a high and responsible position in a Western college.

'87.—L. G. Roberts, Esq., delivered the Memorial address at Lewiston, May 30th. The *Lewiston Journal* of May 31st, speaking of the address, says: "A big audience heard the address of L. G. Roberts, Esq., at City Hall, before Custer and Knox Posts, the Relief Corps, and the Sons of Veterans. Mr. Roberts's address was one of the best we have ever heard here; clear, practical, and full of excellent thought. It was delivered in a direct and forceful manner." The *Lewiston Daily Sun*, speaking of the address, says: "His close was a brilliant one and the address finished in every part." Custer Post, in a resolution, tendered its thanks to Mr. Roberts "for his able, eloquent, and patriotic address."

'88.—F. S. Hamlet, M.D., recently of the Insane Hospital staff at Taunton, Mass., is to locate at Brownville.

'88.—Rev. F. W. Oakes has resigned as pastor of the Congregational church at Leadville, Col., and accepted a call to Denver.

'88.—G. W. Snow has resigned the principalship of the high school, Stow, Mass.

'88.—The marriage of William L. Powers, principal of Gardiner High School, to Miss Marion E. Turner, of Gardiner, is announced to take place at Miss Turner's home, on Wednesday, June 28th. Miss Turner has been for

six years second assistant in the Gardiner High School.

'89.—The following is clipped from the *Morning Star*: "Canterbury, N. H. Since September 1st, Rev. H. W. Small has been the stated supply of the pulpit and regular services have been sustained. Mr. Small is also principal of Kezar Seminary, which stands near the church. Both school and church are prospering under his wise and faithful management."

'89.—E. L. Stevens, M.D., has taken an office in Johnson's Block, Belfast, Me., and already has an assuring practice.

'90.—George H. Hamlin was married Saturday, May 13th, to Miss Elmira Avery, of Jefferson.

'91.—Miss Edith Fairbanks, who has been teaching elocution at Litchfield Academy, closed her term's work with a recital at the Congregational church. She has recently been instructing the members of the graduating class of the Bath High School.

'91.—F. L. Pugsley, principal of the High School, Henniker, N. H., delivered the Memorial address at that place.

'91.—Miss Mabel Merrill had a poem on the occasion of the recent celebration of the anniversary of the Court Street Baptist Church, Auburn. The poem and an account of the celebration appeared in a late number of the *Lewiston Journal*.

'91.—The father of Miss L. B. Williams died June 21st.

'91.—F. S. Libbey, principal of Camden High School, recently read a paper before the Knox County Educa-

tional Association, on "Reading, How Taught."

'91.—W. B. Cutts and Scott Wilson, '92, were at the World's Fair the week before Commencement. Mr. Wilson comes home by the way of Arizona.

'92.—A. F. Gilmore has a son, born May 21st.

'92.—W. B. Skelton was Memorial Day orator at Winthrop. The *Winthrop Budget*, in giving several extended extracts, says: "The address by William

B. Skelton, Esq., was an able paper, and is justly considered one of the finest Memorial orations ever delivered here."

'92.—Scott Wilson has decided to return to Haverford College Grammar School next year.

'92.—C. N. Blanchard was in the city recently. He has been elected principal of the Dexter High School for another year.

College Exchanges.

EITHER by chance, or for some reason unknown to the editor, our exchanges this month have not been up to their usual standard. They have been filled largely with various athletic news, interesting of course to the institutions which they represent, but of little value to the outside reader. The literary articles, too, have been uncommonly weak. In fact, taken as a whole, our visitors this month have been decidedly dull.

But there are a few refreshing exceptions. Foremost among these we would not fail to mention the May number of the *Dartmouth Lit.* It contains an excellent article on "the inducements to enter teaching as a profession," in which the relative advantages of teaching in comparison with those of other professions are ably discussed. With respect to the rapid advancement which the cause of education has made within the last fifty

years we quote the following: "Education is now well recognized by thinking men as a science and a system, demanding high natural qualifications and careful professional training, and presenting intricate and knotty questions as well worthy the attention of an acute and logical mind as the problems of law and theology." Several short stories, a brief criticism of Rose Terry Cooke's "Huckleberries Gathered from New England Hills," and a discussion of so-called "college literature" serve to make this number very readable and attractive.

In the *Red and Blue* of May 10th is the first of a series of articles on student life in foreign universities. It gives an account of student life at Halle, and is followed in a later number by an article on dueling at the same university. Both are well written and interesting.

Yet another article on German uni-

versities is contained in the last number of the *College Mercury*. It treats of the freedom, life, and character of German students, and is well worth reading.

As we read the many trifling verses clipped from the various college papers, we are apt to think that it is all of this airy nature. Below are two examples of college verse of a more sober character:

IN SULTRY AUGUST.

An open stretch of quiet country road
That runs, a winding stream of dust, between
Two narrow banks of dust-bespattered green,—
As if the stream had lately overflowed.
The white moth-miller flutters with his load
Of fairy flour above the withered screen
Of wayside grass, beneath whose blades,
unseen,
The dusty-coated beetle finds abode.
Beyond the fence, on either side, there lies
A bit of woodland, fresh, and clear, and cool.
Above the noise of sparrows in the shade,
Rustling and crackling the dry leaves, arise

The splashing, tinkling treble of the pool,
The murmured burden of the near cascade.

PROCRASTINATION.

To-morrow, to-morrow, and to-morrow
A folding of arms and quiet sleep—
To an infinity of nothingness
Time thus wears on. Again the morrow.
Lo! intent upon their task the Pascal,
The distaff, one concerns, the second sits
And snarls and knots unheeding careless
spins,
That shorten much the scanty thread of life.
And then the third, impassive like the rest,
With face unmoved, keeps swapping destinies.
To-morrow there will be another day,
And then—and then, to-morrow will be fair,
And with the guilding beams essay the task,
But stay—slack—the clicking of the shears!

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College Notes.

Johns Hopkins, Columbia, and the University of Michigan, have discontinued the annual commencement.

Oberlin is said to have the finest tennis field of any college in the country. It contains twenty-one courts, occupying more than four acres.

At the University of London, a young Scotch girl only twenty years of age carried off the honors against sixteen hundred male students.

A tract of one hundred and sixty acres in Natick has been sold to a syndicate which intends to build a college for women similar to Wellesley.

The Leland Stanford, Jr., University will this year follow the lead of Eastern universities in opening a summer school, the first of the kind on the Pacific coast.

The Woman Question:

At { 20—Who
30—What } is he?
40—Where }

—Ex.

The new rules governing the students of Kenyon are rather novel. Compulsory attendance at recitations and lectures is done away with, but attendance upon a certain per cent. of the

religious exercises of the institution is required of all.

A bill has passed Congress appropriating \$64,000 to William and Mary College as a re-imbursement for the destruction of its buildings and other property by the soldiers during the civil war.

THE FIN DU SIECLE GIRL.

"What is the formula, Professor,
For maidens 'up to date'?"
The wise man smiled and quickly wrote,
"SSF 98!"

"Pray, what may mean this mystic scroll?"
Said she, the Vassar pert.
"Why, one part saint and one part sage,
And ninety-eight a flirt."—*Ex.*

The students of the University of Pennsylvania, subscribed \$5,000 in one week toward the erection of a new gymnasium in connection with the Y. M. C. A. hall.

A FAVORED SUIT.

No more I count my chances slim,
Nor burn with jealousy.
She shows six teeth when she smiles on
him,
And eight when she smiles on me.
—*Brunonian.*

The New York *Mail and Express* furnishes an interesting table showing the average annual expenses of students at the different colleges of the country. The figures are on a basis of economy and are intended to cover only necessary expenditures. The information was gathered from the students themselves and not from college catalogues. The following is the table as given in that paper:

New York University,	\$400
Yale,	650
Dartmouth,	300

Williams,	\$450-500
Bowdoin,	350
Lehigh (tuition free),	250
Vanderbilt,	350
Colby,	250-300
Boston University,	375
Dickinson,	300
Syracuse,	350
University of South Carolina,	250
University of California,	450
Columbia,	550-600
Bates,	300
Alleghany,	300
Princeton,	450-500
University of Vermont,	300
Roanoke,	250
Wooster,	200
Wake Forest,	225
Pennsylvania College,	275
Mount Union,	225
Bucknell,	250
Wellesley,	350
Hobart,	400
Cornell,	300-350
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Union,	300-400
Hamilton,	350
Amherst,	400
Brown,	500
Madison,	300
Western Reserve,	300
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Swarthmore,	500
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Rutgers,	450
Tufts,	500
Ohio University,	200
Lafayette,	475
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College of City of New York	(tuition free)
Rochester,	400
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—*Lowell.*



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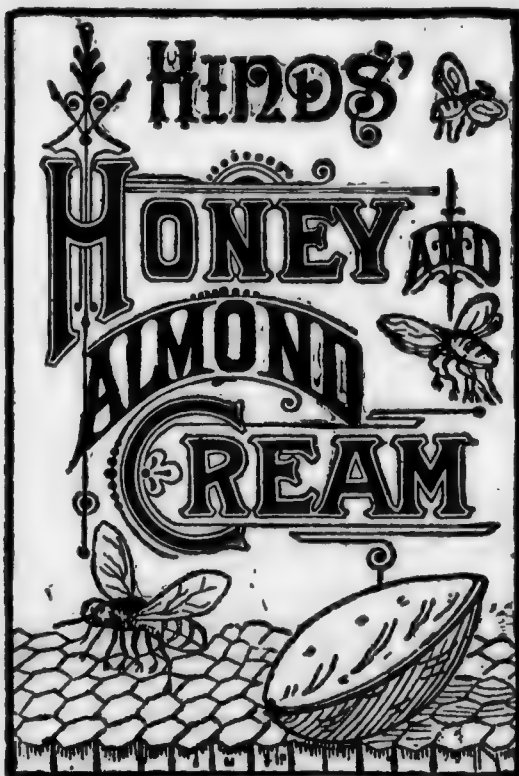


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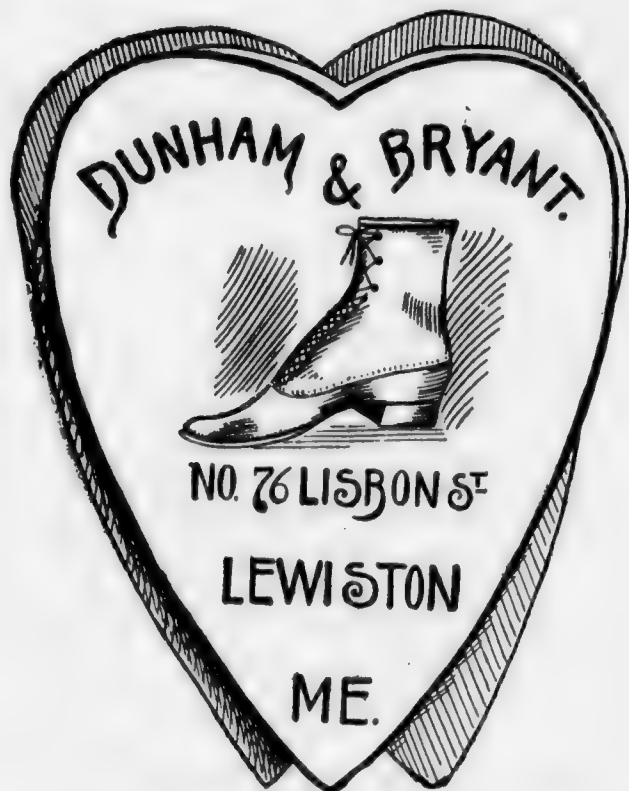
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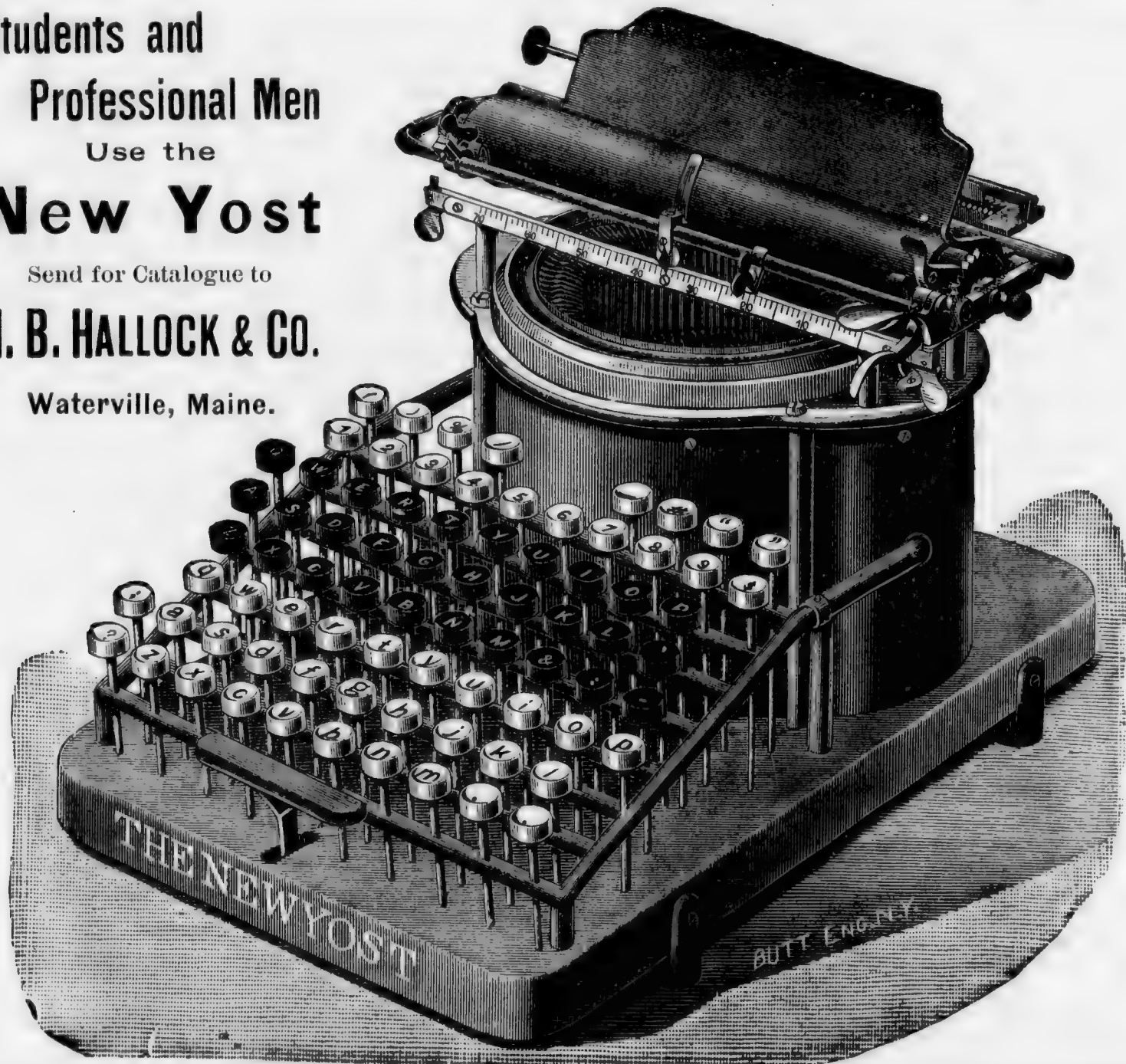
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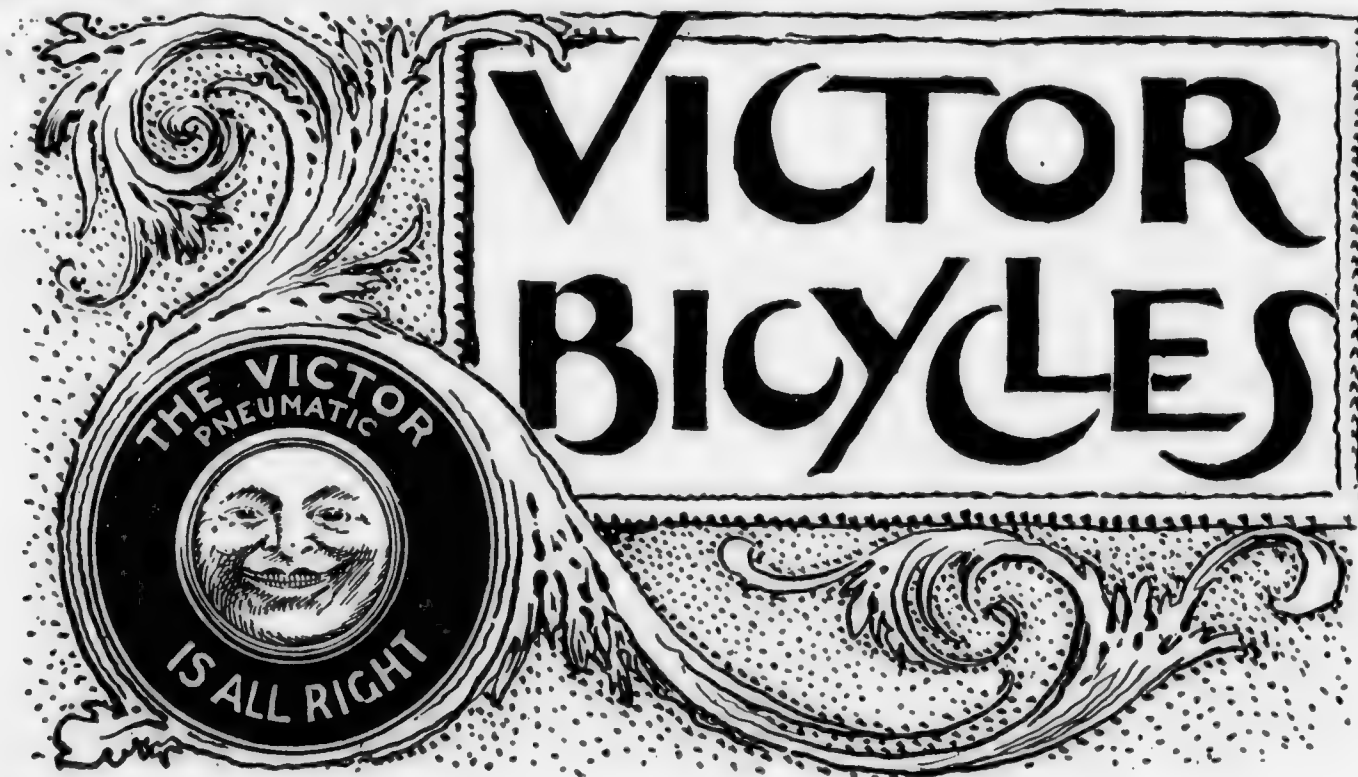
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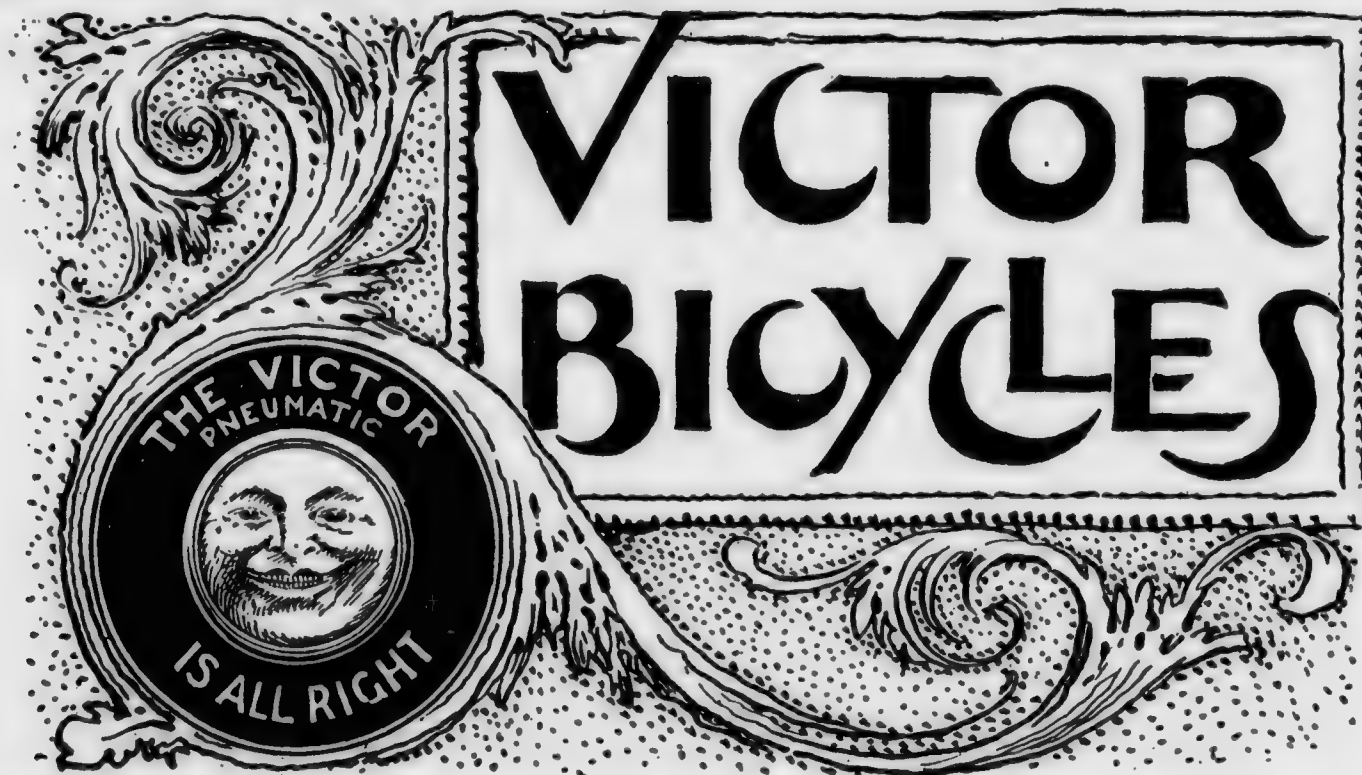
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AS WE return to work after the vacation, and again settle into the harness, our minds are filled with plans for the coming year. The class room, the society, athletics, all claim more or less of our attention according to our several inclinations. But let us not forget that regularity is essential to the best accomplishments in each and every line of work. The spasmodic effort, however brilliant the individual, is not the effort that effects the greatest ultimate good. While it may seem for the moment to bring about the desired end, it nevertheless exhausts the energies and fails to produce that development of the individual which is the purpose of all true training. Of course we have heard all this a hundred times before; but now is the time to make the good resolutions for the year, and so it will bear repeating. Devote a certain definite portion of each day to each study, provide for your physical exercise and society work in the same way, and at the end of the year the result will be surprising. Do not understand that the student should make a dig of himself. We do not mean that at all. The time for each study or exercise may be limited according to the ability, ambition, or disposition of the student. But every student should have a fixed period for the more important parts of his college work. To be sure it is something of an effort, but it will more than repay the trouble, both in immediate results and in the formation of an important habit for after life.

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In response to this demand, the president convened an extra session of congress on the seventh day of August last. For six weeks this *congress of American statesmen* has juggled with a question, conceded by business men to be most vital to our prosperity. It listens, day after day, to arguments that it knows by heart. Not one new

thing has been said; not one new thing can be said upon the question. It is conceded by the vast majority that anything approaching the free coinage of silver results in sectional advantage and national calamity. Under the present rules, senators are allowed to "talk against time" for the sole purpose of postponing the inevitable result. In theory, the act of ruling is inherent in the majority; in practice, it depends largely upon the will or upon the physical endurance of the minority. This ought not to be. Rules to enable the majority to force a vote should be adopted immediately. The minority should be deprived of the power to promote partisan or sectional interests at the expense of national prosperity, as appears to have been done this summer.

THE subject of Bible study is one which the average college student is too apt to neglect. With the mass of other work before him he often feels that he had better put off this branch of his education until he is through college. But this is a mistake. No one, whatever his position towards the Bible and its teachings, can afford to remain ignorant of it. It is in every respect the greatest book ever written, and educated people are becoming so much awakened to the subject as to begin to wonder why it has heretofore been so neglected in the schools and colleges of our land.

We have this term a fine opportunity offered us in the Y. M. C. A. Course to study the life of Christ, and it is to be hoped that a large number of stu-

dents will avail themselves of it. We also hope that the time is not far in the future when Bates shall be able to establish a chair of Biblical Literature, and make the study of the Bible a part of her college course.

THE STUDENT feels that the financial methods employed in our various college organizations are not as systematic and business-like as they should be. At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association a member of the Senior class remarked that in his three years of membership he had not heard a report of the standing of that association. Such neglect of business form is unjust. The first injustice is to each member of the association, who, as a tax payer, has a right to know to what purpose each cent is expended. The second injustice is to those who have the actual handling of the funds. It encourages extravagance and carelessness, and invites criticism. In spite of the luckiest circumstances the close of the past two or three ball seasons has left our treasury hardly solvent. This doubtless is the fault of no one, but if we are to carry foot-ball also—as we are determined to do—increased economy will be necessary and strict business principles will be essential. The season of 1889, which left our treasury well filled, proved that money can be made in college base-ball. Recent deficiencies have been of inconsiderable amounts, but we cannot rely upon always having the services of honest men, and a costly lesson must some day be learned unless the present lax principle be amended.

Shall we not profit immediately by the example of other institutions, and appoint a faithful and energetic auditing committee to inspect, audit, and make public the accounts of our associations. We say associations, because what we have said of the athletic association may apply in a less degree to the other organizations of the college.

THE appearance of the Reading-Room is not such as to commend it to new students nor to make it attractive to old ones. It sadly needs a new carpet, or else the present apology should be taken up and the floor left bare. Whitewash, soap, and water would greatly improve the condition of the room. The burners and globes are in such order that it is ruinous to one's eye-sight to attempt to read in the evening. It is inconsistent to lavish decoration on the society rooms where we spend two hours a week, and to neglect the Reading-Room, where every student who keeps abreast of current events must spend a certain time each day. We urge the officers of the Reading-Room Association to take some measures to improve the condition of the room.

If all students who use the room were to pay the small annual due, the treasury would contain money to put the room in good shape. But there are some who make it a practice to get their reading without paying for it. From these, from those who cut articles out of the papers, and from those who disturb the quiet of the room, we pray to be delivered.

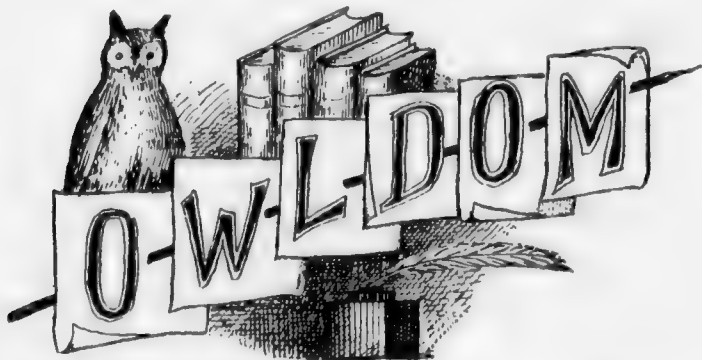
We cordially urge all new students

to join the Reading-Room Association. In no other way can you get so much profit for a little money. You have access to all the best periodical literature of the country for less than the price of one good weekly. Do not neglect this part of your education; for, if you do, the great world will be four years ahead of you when you graduate from college.

FOR the first time in the history of the college, and probably in that of any co-educational institution of note, the young ladies of the Freshman class at Bates outnumber the young men. Should this happen but once it would be simply an incident concerning the class of '97. But for several years the number of young ladies in college has been increasing in a ratio greater than that of the increase in the whole number of students. Should this continue until the feminine gender prevails the consequences would not be pleasant to dwell upon. Such a condition of things should be prevented if possible, and the ideal course of action would be not to restrict the number of young ladies, but to take measures to attract a larger number of young men. Perhaps a little extra attention to the fitting schools might be one way of carrying out this idea. A personal visit made each year among the principal fitting schools which send students to Bates, by the President or some member of the Faculty, who should be selected for that purpose, might, if he be a man of strong personality, do much to keep the college before the minds of the coming students of our

own and neighboring states. There are, moreover, three of the best fitting schools in Maine within the limits of Lewiston and Auburn, and very few, if any, of their graduates should go elsewhere to college.

After all, the thing of greatest importance is to make life at Bates, first of all, helpful, attractive, and wholesome, not leaving out of account the need of keeping abreast, or, if possible, ahead of the times. Then students are sure to come as a matter of course. We who are already here have our part to perform in this connection, and let us not neglect to perform it, believing that Bates will soon lead the colleges of Maine in the number, as she now leads them in the moral character and solid worth of her students.



THE Owl returns to college well recuperated from past toils, and filled with courage for future labors. He hopes that time has already healed any wound of his infliction, and, that in future, his pen may be guided only in paths of agreeable criticism and needed reform.

FINDING life about Parker Hall rather dull this summer, the Owl decided to take a trip among those whom he had been accustomed to see

about the halls and campus during term time. He found the subject of the student's life during vacation an interesting one to study, and gained much information in regard to the manner in which the average college man spends the summer months.

THE incident which made the greatest impression upon his mind was connected with his call upon the Sophomore who started out as soon as tests were over, a prospectus under his arm, ten or fifteen dollars in his pocket, and visions of untold wealth to be easily acquired, in his eye.

The Owl came upon him after he had been canvassing just three days. He was balancing his accounts and this was how they stood: "Outfit, \$3.75; board, for three days, \$4.50; railroad fare, \$4.00. Traveled all over creation and haven't got a smell; total deficit, \$14.25. (The extra two dollars for moral depreciation, caused by loss of temper, and a *lapsus linguae* or two—the natural consequence.) Guess I'll go home," and as Artemus Ward would have said, "he went-ested."

SAD ending of a happy dream. The air-castle, which had been builded so well in vision, had fallen to the ground on coming into contact with the cold reality, "and great was the fall thereof." And now the Owl feels constrained to bestow a word of advice upon him that shall come after. When tempted to buy a canvassing outfit by one who tells you "there is money in

it," unless you have tried the thing before and know you are made of the right stuff for the business, just think of the story outlined above and "don't."

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WONDER who originated the "Boys' Annex" scheme for Bates? Too bad if it should supersede the project for a young women's dormitory.

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AT A RECENT assembly of the ladies of the college, President and Mrs. Cheney impressed upon them the importance of the position they occupy for moulding the social life at Bates. At the same time a committee was appointed to draw up a code of rules for their guidance. The Owl, in his loyalty to co-education, has been practically blind to any improprieties of the young ladies—if such have occurred—and could hardly make a suggestion for their ordinary deportment. But here is one clause somewhat out of the general order which he would respectfully submit to the committee: "We hereby promise that during our connection with Bates College we will make no derogatory statement concerning any young man unless we have positive knowledge whereof we speak, and then only to a friend by whom we think the information is needed as a safeguard." Herein would lie the strongest assurance of the triumph of co-education.

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SUCH a pledge on their part might merit the much talked of "certificate of character" from a young man wishing to escort them. Doubtless the proposed arrangement would compel

many another belle to hum the familiar "My Sweetheart's the Man in the Moon," yet it has favorable points and so the Owl has secured his credentials: "This is to certify that the Owl is a bird of good moral character. He has never been caught smoking, drinking, or chewing gum, and has never been heard to swear aloud. The peculiar habits of his kind oblige him to be out late nights, but no bad reports come from his wanderings. On the whole we recommend him to any young woman who may be afflicted with his attentions.

Board of 'Fellows.'"

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'97, '98, '99, '00. The Owl refers these figures to the members of the classes of '96 in the various fitting schools. Think of getting up a class yell for 1900.

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ASTRAPPING young countryman, clad in homespun, a slouch hat, and a pair of cowhide boots, appeared on the campus the other morning and, setting down a big black valise, which he carried on a stick slung over his shoulder, and shifting a big quid of B. L. to the other side of his mouth, interrogated the Owl as follows: "Say, is this Bates College?" The Owl allowed that it was so far as he knew. "Where's the boss?" was the next query. The Owl obligingly pointed out the President's house in reply.

"His Honor likely to be at home?" The Owl guessed he would. "Say, what do the fellers study here, anyhow?" "Oh, Latin, Greek, French, German, Mathematics, Psychology,

Chemistry, Physics, and the greater part of the remaining branches spoken of in the catalogue."

A look of infinite scorn came over the somewhat bewhiskered features of the prospective Freshman. "I thought they called this a college. I studied all them things last winter at our dis-

trict school. What I'm looking for is a place where they can teach a feller English grammer. But I'll go down and see what the boss says, anyway." So he shifted back the quid of B. L., shouldered his luggage, and shuffled down across the campus in the direction of President Cheney's residence.

Literary.

DISCONTENT AND PROGRESS.

BY J. C. WOODMAN, '94.

DISCONTENT is a dark undercurrent in the life of each of us. More than all other periods, it marks our own nineteenth century. And we are living in an age of great progress. I wish to show that this progress is largely due to the discontent that characterizes this age. No doubt you think at once of the anarchists as the greatest malcontents and ask, "Do they further progress?" No. Nor does the stream aid the great mill when the water breaks down the dam at the time of a flood.

In the tent of the savage, satisfaction and content dwell. What else does he possess? I claim that discontent is the factor left out in the disposition of the savage, and that this is why he is wholly incapable.

Let us fancy one of the Lotus Eaters of to-day, an individual, happy, satisfied, contented. Does he strive to improve his condition? If he is satisfied with it, why should he? If he is to contribute to the progress of the world, some spur must arouse him from his

bed of down. This spur is discontent. Make a man dissatisfied with himself and his surroundings, certainly he will try to improve his condition. Discontent arouses aspiration; aspiration leads to endeavor; endeavor to accomplishment. These steps, of which the first is discontent, form the golden stairway of progress.

He who does not advance, recedes. The good athlete is not satisfied to rest. If he would keep his agility and strength he must be continually working. Intellectual men realize most how little of the depths of true knowledge they can ever explore. Dissatisfaction and restlessness urge them on to break through their narrow limitations.

Newton, at eighty-eight years of age, gives us the key-note to his great works as follows: "I do not know what I may appear to the world, but to myself I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the sea-shore, and diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or prettier shell than ordinary, while the whole ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me."

Can you think of Newton as ever contented and satisfied? Was not something continually impelling him to greater achievements?

In the moral nature, discontent should exert its strongest force. Many there are in a spiritual lethargy, who, unconscious of their situation, lie asleep on the abyss of eternity. To arouse the spirit, to awaken the souls of these dormant lives, in short, to make them discontented, has been the aim of philosophy, statecraft, and religion. "Except ye be born again" is the teaching of our Savior. We read of a poor monk, troubled with doubts and fears, unable like other monks to find peace and consolation. A terrible unrest pursues him; it drives him to Rome. Picture him on his knees toiling up the sacred stairs. Poor discontented monk, struggling to break through the mists, with which fanaticism has shrouded his life, and to reach a pure faith. He rises. His restless spirit reaches the light. He rushes down the stairs to reveal it to the whole world. The result is the great Reformation. One writer says of Luther: "Had he been satisfied with the ordinary mode of propitiating the Deity, he would never have emerged from his retreat."

The primary reason of the formation of nearly all organizations has been the dissatisfaction of the masses. Aspiration for improvement is the cornerstone of all temperance, labor, political, and Christian associations. Discontent of the people under English rule was the cause of the American revolution.

Greater than Napoleon looking down

from the summits of the Alps on the sunny slopes of Italy, is the man who can look back on the course of his life and see the gradual growth of character, the upward steps continually taken leading onward to a higher and nobler life. But, as Carlyle says, "In every phenomenon the beginning is the most notable moment," we must consider discontent the most notable moment of progress. We ought, then, to think of discontent, not as a condition to be condemned, not merely as sign of progress, but rather as a spur, the stimulus, the incentive to all progress. Discontent and progress. How dear to us is contentment! How much we desire to progress! Yet, well has it been said, "Content and satisfaction are held without thought by the dolts and drones." They never led man to take a forward step. Underlying the onward march of improvement, we shall always find discontent the secret of all true progress.

THE UNITED STATES THE LEADER OF NATIONS.

BY CORDELIA M. KING, '95.

IT HAS been well said that "the true way for a nation to become strong is not to grasp after advantages from abroad, for that would leave her still intrinsically weak, but to test her own capabilities to the utmost, to press her agriculture to its verge, and her manufactures and her commerce and her science and art and institutions of learning, benevolence, and religion."

Owing to her size and geographical position the United States surpasses

all other nations in the variety and extent of her resources. Every section of our country is filled with its own peculiar products. In the South we find cotton and tobacco; in the West, meat and grain; in the North-west, lumber and leather; and in New England and New York, manufactures of all kinds. This alone would cause her to take the first place industrially. But in addition to all the agricultural and manufactured products of the United States is her mineral wealth; her mines of gold, silver, coal, iron, copper, and lead, which are second to none in value.

But to develop all these resources much labor is required. It will at once be admitted that the source of all wealth is labor, and that under the same circumstances labor will produce the same results. Then that country which has the greatest natural resources, the most vigorous and enlightened labor, which avails itself to the greatest extent of labor-saving machinery, and which has the freest and most enlightened government, must necessarily lead in the race for the industrial and commercial supremacy. Now the United States is admitted to hold this advantageous position in many respects. Let us first notice the results of labor in this country.

The emigration of the laboring classes of all nations to the United States proves conclusively that in this country a certain amount of labor, under existing conditions, will produce more, on an average, of the necessities of life than any similar average in the world. The late Prof. Cairnes, of London, one

of the most careful observers and thinkers, a few years ago made an estimate, based upon the best industrial statistics that he could obtain, in which he says: "The products of a day's labor in the United States will enable a workman to command the product, in round numbers, of a day-and-a-third's labor in Great Britain; the product of a day-and-a-half's labor in Belgium; the product of a day-and-three-quarters' to two days' labor in France and Germany; while it would probably command the product of four or five days' labor in China and India."

We should, perhaps, deal with the commercial position, together with the industrial status of our nation, for it is owing to the varied agricultural, mineral, and manufactured products that the growth in our commerce is largely due. Let me again quote Prof. Cairnes, who in 1874 said: "That having regard to the geographical position, extent of territory and extraordinary natural resources of the United States, as well as the character of its people, trained in all the arts of civilization, and distinguished beyond others by their eminent mechanical and business talents, there seems to be no reason why they should not take a position of commanding influence in the world of commerce — a position to which no other people on earth could aspire."

That in our country there is a wider development of moral sentiment, and a higher moral standard of action, both in public and in private life, is not so readily admitted, but it is nevertheless true, for the diffusion of material prosperity and a degree of intellectual

culture form a deeper and more solid foundation for the support and growth of moral sentiment than is found elsewhere. Therefore in a nation like our own we find more intelligent moral ideas than in one where the greater number of the inhabitants are hardly raised above actual want. The first notion of morality is that of the responsibility of the individual for the consequences of his conduct. In a society where there are no divisions into classes, and in which every man shares in the direction of affairs, the sense of responsibility is constantly increased. The appeal is continually made from selfishness to the highest rule of conduct which the enlightenment of the community has enabled it to discover. The development and growth of moral sentiments and ideas are thus natural and inevitable results of free democratic institutions. And it is because in America we are possessed of these conditions that we have attained to a comparative moral superiority.

Another advantage which we have over other nations is our educational system. An eminent English author, Mr. James Bryce, has said: "The Americans are an educated people compared with the whole mass of population in any European country except Switzerland, part of Germany, Norway, Iceland, and Scotland, that is to say, the average of knowledge is higher, the habit of reading and thinking more generally diffused than in any other country."

Then, too, the United States surpasses every other country in the variety

of her inventions. It was American enterprise which first proved the practicability of steam navigation across the ocean, and that, too, after England's most eminent scientists had declared it impossible. Americans have invented electric lights, electric motors, sewing-machines, air brakes, machine guns, elevators, type-writers, telephones, and countless other articles equally useful. They have developed the steam-engine, friction match, armored vessels, and many other contrivances too numerous to mention.

Natives of America have explored equatorial Africa, and have not been surpassed by men of other nations in daring attempts to reach the limits of the earth. Japan was first opened to the world by an American commodore without a hostile shot being fired or a drop of blood being shed, to the advantage of her people as well as the commerce of the world.

If that country is the leader of nations which takes the first place in the race for industrial and commercial supremacy, which stands first in the development of a high moral standard, which has shown the greatest ingenuity in all respects, then indeed the United States must be acknowledged as the leader of the nations of the world.

Centre College, in Kentucky, of which Vice-President Stephenson is an alumnus, has graduated, in the last fifty years, two vice-presidents, fourteen United States representatives, six United States senators, six governors, and one justice of the United States Supreme Court.

MY VISIT TO THE WORLD'S FAIR.

BY FLORA A. MASON, '96.

MY JOURNEY to Chicago included the cities of Providence, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, and the coal regions of Pennsylvania, and was no small part of the advantage gained in the entire trip.

Approaching the grounds from any direction, the first object which meets one's gaze is the Ferris Wheel, a piece of mechanism surpassing the Eiffel Tower, combining the finely-adjusted mechanism of a watch and the intricate science of bridge-building. The top of the wheel is 264 feet from the ground and the view from this point is grand, for one can see not only the city but the prairies beyond, if it is a clear day, a rare thing in Chicago.

Almost as conspicuous as the Ferris Wheel, is the dome of the Administration building, which can be seen miles away. This building has been pronounced the gem of all the architectural jewels of the exposition. When illuminated, the dome lighted by hundreds of electric jets, it is one magnificent crown of diamonds. In the rotunda is a miniature model of the Treasury Building at Washington, covered with souvenir coins, representing a value equal to \$40,000.

The buildings of the White City are arranged on a definite plan. The large structures are grouped around the Grand Basin and Lagoon. The foreign buildings are in a group near the lake, so that their picturesque style of architecture adds greatly to the appearance of the water frontage. In order that the state buildings might

not appear dwarfed in size, as they would if placed near the large structures, and that their colonial style of architecture might appear to good advantage, they are grouped together in the northern part of the grounds. Many of the state buildings have their special features.

The new State of Washington presents a miniature farm, the buildings upon it, the teams in the fields at work, the thrashing-machine, and all the apparatus used on a great western farm. The same building, besides presenting mammoth specimens of fir and cedar, has the largest piece of bituminous coal in the world, being 26 feet long, $5\frac{1}{3}$ feet high, and $5\frac{2}{3}$ feet wide, and weighing 50,125 pounds.

Caroline S. Brooks the modeler of the famous butter woman at Philadelphia in 1876, has exhibited in the Florida building busts of Isabella and Columbus, made entirely of butter.

Iowa's building is unique and shows a vast amount of work. The interior is decorated with corn and other grains, made into every conceivable design. On the walls are pictures and panels made of grains. One is a hog's head made of husks of corn; another a cow, made mostly of ears of corn; a boy, whose hair and clothes are made of dried grasses, silk and husks of corn. But the most artistic piece of work in the cereal line is a picture in the Illinois Building. It represents a farm, and at a distance one could not tell that the fences were made of husks, the cattle and horses of kernels of corn, and the shingles on the buildings of corn.

The Pennsylvania Building is a reproduction of the old Independence Hall in Philadelphia, and has brought here, among other historic relics, the famous Liberty Bell.

One of the most curious exhibits of the Fair is to be found in the Utah Building. It is a mummy of one of the Cliff Dwellers, a people living in our western states prior to the American Indians. This is the finest specimen of these people which has been found, being in a nearly perfect state of preservation. Models of the homes of this ancient race are exhibited in the Cliff Dwellers Building, also some of their implements, pottery, and fac-similes of some of their living rooms. One miniature representation contained one hundred and twenty-seven rooms on the ground floor, was in places eleven stories high, and in the whole house were six hundred rooms.

Nearly all the western states have specimens of their mammoth trees, but the largest is a section of a Sequoia tree, a species of red cedar, on exhibition in the rotunda of the Government Building. The diameter at the base of the tree was $81\frac{1}{2}$ feet. This section was taken about 20 feet above the ground and had to be hollowed out and divided into sections. It took eleven cars to transport it from the National Park to Chicago, and at a cost of \$10,475.87.

In the Agricultural Building is a cheese from Canada weighing 22,000 pounds. The Mining Building is full of interesting things. Louisiana has a statue of rock salt representing Lot's wife. Cape Colony draws a continuous crowd to watch the washing

and cutting of diamonds. Here also is a meteorite which fell into Chihuahua, Mexico, weighing 1,015 pounds.

One of the special features in the Transportation Building is the tent and palanquin with which Mrs. French Sheldon traveled into the heart of Africa. A large section of the annex of this building is devoted to the display of locomotives and cars, from the representation of Isaac Newton's idea of propulsion by steam, the first recorded in books (this engine had four wheels, on which was a boiler similar to a great brass tea-kettle), to the powerful locomotives of the present day. In this collection is a South Wales car of 1800, the first car drawn by a locomotive in the world. It resembled a hand-car of the present day, made of iron and having four wheels rudely made. Also a Trevithick engine of 1800, having a large high boiler, with a wheel about one foot in diameter on one side, and a four-foot wheel on the other side, and a two-foot wheel near the centre of the back of the engine. I cannot omit mentioning the Tom Thumb engine, designed and built by Peter Cooper, and the first engine built and used to draw cars on the American continent. In August, 1830, it went thirteen miles in one hour and twelve minutes, and drew forty people. This was a four-wheeled car with a boiler and high smoke-stack on the large wooden platform. A box or barrel was placed on the platforms of all the old engines of that period, in which was kept the supply of wood for the journey.

In the Krupp Pavilion is shown an

enormous gun, the largest ever cast. It is estimated that the gun has a range of sixteen miles, and the cost of loading it once is \$1,500.

One of the most interesting collections of the Exposition is found in the reproduced Convent of La Rabida. Under the protection of a special guard in the chapel of the convent is the most valuable historical document in the world. It is the original commission which Ferdinand and Isabella gave to Columbus upon his departure, dated at Granada, April 30, 1492, appointing him Grand Admiral over the Ocean Seas, Vice-King and Governor-General of all lands that he should discover. Here also are exhibited the earliest printed books relating to America, Columbus' original correspondence with the sovereigns of Spain, and numerous other manuscripts and documents of almost priceless value; a mosaic picture of the prophet Isaiah, after the original fresco by Raphael, the value of which is \$500,000; the first bell rung in America, found in San Domingo, called the Bell of the Fig-tree, because it was found in the branches of a parasitic fig-tree which had entered the belfry of the church where it hung, and raised it by the pressure of natural growth, so that it was seen by the residents who were living near the ruins of the old church; an anchor of Columbus, found near the site of Navidad, where the first fortress was erected by Columbus, and where the Santa Maria was wrecked in December, 1492.

The Manufactures Building is the largest in the world. Germany, France,

England, and Russia have very elaborate exhibits. The Yerkes' Telescope, exhibited by the University of Chicago, is found in this building. This is considerably larger than the great Lick Telescope. If one will study thoroughly the Manufactures Building he will have seen the greatest part of the exposition.

To see the Electricity Building to its best advantage one must visit it in the evening when the whole building is ablaze with colored lights. In the center of this building is a tower forty feet or more in height, which is illuminated at intervals during the evening with various colors, arranged in many geometrical figures, one instant flashing out in blue, then crimson, yellow, green, and the next in all the colors of the rainbow combined. But the most interesting of all the buildings is the Art Building. In here are collected some of the finest works of art of modern painters and sculptors from all the civilized nations on the globe.

The grounds and buildings are strikingly beautiful in the day-time, but in the evening, when all the buildings around the water system are flaming with lights, the banks of the Grand Basin and Lagoon are studded with long rows of electric lights, the many colored electric fountains forming a scene of magnificence too grand for description, and the electric launches and gondolas are darting up and down the lagoon, and in and out of the shadows, then the beauty goes almost beyond the real into the imaginative, and the whole presents a picture of a veritable fairy-land.

Poets' Corner.

A ROCKY BASIN.

A floor of rock, of rock the towering wall,
Down one side speeds the glittering waterfall;
But where its loveliness at best is seen,
The hollowed side is covered o'er with green;
First down this mossy wall the streamlet flows,
Then to the rocky floor below it goes.

Feathery ferns and flowers, tinged with pink,
Find in the seamed walls a welcome chink,
While on the surface of the rock so cold
Grow lichens fit to tempt a botanist bold.
This rocky basin in the woodland deep,
Inviting, draws one down the rugged steep.

—N. G. W., '95.

MADE VISIBLE.

Soft on the world fell the steps of the Night,
As she came from the hills afar;
Slumbered the vale in the after light,
And the river dreamed of a star.

The world was asleep; there was never a sound
In the deep of the silence cast,
But I knew on the wing of the summer night
The Angel of Music passed.

And though no word from his sealed lips fell
His thought came to my ken :—
" My finest chords are as silence blank
In the untrained ears of men.

" But what to the ear is meaningless
To the eye may its message bring;
Behold, I will here make visible
The airs that my soul doth sing !"

And I found in the morn where the angel mute
Had passed in his rapid flight,
A cloud of blossoms with diamond dew
Ablaze in their hearts of light !

—MABEL S. MERRILL, '91.

A UNIQUE.

Every great man is a unique,
Says Emerson the seer.
This thought, in sooth, should be
Midst the dense millions of humanity
An inspiration true.

Every great man is a unique,
Then each himself must be,
Since for every man 'neath the arched blue
Is a work which he alone can do
In its best perfection.

—N. G. W., '95.

THE OLD STONE-WALL.

It stands by the roadside—the old stone-wall,
Where the daisies bloom, and the weeds grow
tall,
And the buttercups nod as the breezes blow,
And seem to speak of the long ago.

For day by day on the sea of Time
The tide of years has ebbcd and flowed,
Since the stones were laid and the wall was
made
To shut the field from the dusty road.

Many times have the leaves turned brown
And from their branches fluttered down,
Since the one who built it, silent, dead,
Was laid at rest in his church-yard bed.

And now, where the grey stones scattered lie
The blackberry vines unheeded run,
And the sumach grows, and the red wild rose
Blooms and fades in the summer sun.

There, when the day is hot and dry,
And the locust sings in the trees near by;
When the dust on the roadside grass lies grey,
And the winds are sleeping half the day;

The weary traveler, passing by,
Loves to sit where the dark vines creep,
Till the drowsy air, and the sun's bright glare
Charms his senses, and, half asleep,

He dreams the old times o'er again,
While the flashing changes of joy and pain,
Of dark despair, and bright-hued hope,
Make of life a kaleidoscope.

For all things change as the seasons change,
And the Present treads on the Past's dry bones;
And what to-day is a stone-wall grey
Will soon be only a pile of stones.

—L. D. T., '69.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

MODUS SPELLENDI.

I can not spell "si-cology,"
And to avoid apology
I do not try,
And this is why
I simply write "Benology."

T. C. Pulsifer, '95, is taking in the World's Fair at Chicago.

The college band has received several valuable additions already.

J. C. Woodman, '94, is in charge of the college library this term.

G. L. Mason, formerly of '93, paid a visit to the college recently.

French, '94, is principal of the high school at North New Portland.

Carr, ex-'94, has recently made a short visit to friends in the city.

Miss Dora Roberts, '95, is enjoying a trip to Chicago with a party of friends.

Quite a number of the students will visit the World's Fair before its close.

Both societies have already received several additions from the Freshman class.

Some much-needed improvements will be made on the tennis courts in the near future.

W. R. Fletcher, '94, is principal of the Princeton (Me.) High School for the coming year.

The familiar face of our old pitcher, Mildram, '93 was seen about the college during the fair.

G. G. Osgood, ex-'94, was welcomed at the college by his old classmates and friends during Fair week.

Dutton, '95, leads the singing at chapel this year. Miss Kate Leslie, '94, presides at the organ.

Several of the tennis courts in the rear of Parker Hall present rather a weedy appearance at present.

W. P. Hamilton, ex-'94, has returned to college and will complete his course with the class of '95.

Miss L. E. Neal, '95, has decided to finish her course at Mt. Holyoke. She is now teaching in Auburn.

L. W. Robbins, Colby, '94, formerly of Bates, '94, was at the college for several days during State Fair week.

THE NEW VERSION.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"
"I am going home, kind sir," she said;
"May I go with you, my pretty maid?"
"Where's your certificate, sir?" she said.

The Auburns played the Bates team on the diamond, Monday, September 11th, and defeated them with a score of 11 to 7.

At the Junior Exhibition, last Commencement week, the first prize was awarded to E. F. Pierce, and the second to Howard M. Cook.

Bolster, '95, will take charge of the Senior class in gymnasium practice this term, owing to the absence of French, the regular instructor.

The prize for the champion debate at Commencement was awarded to F. A. Knapp. Honorable mention was made of Miss Helen M. Willard.

The College Club prize for the best short story written by an under-grad-

uate, was awarded at Commencement to Miss Bertha Bryant, '96.

The class of '93 made enough out of their Commencement concert to net several dollars apiece.

Phillips, '97, is teaching the high school at West New Portland, having taken the place of Adams, '93, who was taken sick soon after going there.

W. M. Dutton, formerly of '93, has joined the class of '95, and will resume the leadership of the college band. This means success for that organization during the remainder of his course.

Lost, strayed, or stolen: A complete set of choice side-whiskers. The finder will be suitably rewarded by returning the same to our senator from Massachusetts.

Howard Beals, Latin School, '91, and Phillips Andover, '93, is coaching the foot-ball eleven. Mr. Beals has been at Sorrento with the Harvard eleven during the past summer.

The base-ball men in college are glad to welcome among them Burrill, '97, who pitched several games for the Portland New England league team this summer, after leading M. C. I. through a season of victories.

Isn't it about time we adopt some other response to sing after the prayer at chapel? The present one, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," has been repeated every morning for several years. Why not have a change?

At a meeting of the Athletic Association, held in the chapel, Monday morning, September 11th, the follow-

ing officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Pierce, '94; Vice-President, Smith, '95; Secretary, Fairfield, '96; Treasurer, Knapp, '95; Directors, L. J. Brackett and Leathers, '94, Bolster and Pulsifer, '95, Howard and Cutts, '96, Burrill and Stanley, '97.

Several members of the class of '94 attended a dinner given by the members of the class of '90, Latin School, at Hotel Atwood, Wednesday evening of Commencement week. Among those who responded to toasts on that occasion were: L. J. Brackett, C. C. Brackett, S. I. Graves, J. C. Woodman, '94, and W. W. Bolster, Jr., '95. W. A. French, '94, gave a history of the class.

Extensive improvements have been made upon the Polymnian Society rooms during vacation. The library now occupies a special alcove down stairs, and new paint and paper, together with several additions to the furnishings, give the rooms a beautiful and cheerful appearance. A great deal of credit is due the executive committee and especially the chairman, Small, '94, under whose personal supervision these improvements have been made.

The annual reception to the members of the Freshman class, by the Christian associations of the college, was held in the gymnasium, Tuesday evening, September 12th. Conversational topics were discussed during the early part of the evening. After refreshments were served a short programme was given, consisting of address of welcome by W. E. Page, '94, for the

Y. M. C. A. ; Miss Bessie Gerrish, '94, for the Y. W. C. A. ; and Prof. Jordan for the Faculty ; vocal duet by Dutton, '95, and Sampson, '96 ; recitation by Miss Bonney, '96 ; declamation by Campbell, '95. A large number of students were in attendance, and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

THE CLASS OF '97.

Fifty-six young ladies and gentlemen have recently gathered in Hathorn Hall for the first time, henceforth to be recognized as the class of '97.

Thirty of this number are young ladies, a fact which brings a startling realization of what may be the outcome of the liberal policy of our college in granting, as she has from the start, the same privileges of education to all, regardless of sex or color.

Taken as a whole, this new class is a very promising one, both as to its individual members and in the extent to which the fitting schools of New England are represented in its numbers. Some of its members, at least, have achieved some distinction before entering upon their college course. Burrill's ability as a ball player was recently given a gratifying recognition by one of the leading teams in the New England league, while Sampson is known throughout the state as a musician of rare promise. Several others have won honors of considerable importance in the fitting schools from which they come.

Among the large number of schools represented we are pleased to notice some which have rarely, if ever, before sent students to Bates.

The following is a classified list of the Freshman class, and the fitting schools which its members represent :

- Miss M. C. Andrews,
High School, Concord, N. H.
- A. W. Bailey, High School, Bath.
C. M. Barrell, Latin School, Lewiston.
Miss C. E. Berry, Academy, Hebron.
P. W. Brackett,
Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield.
- Miss E. E. Bride,
Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass.
J. P. Briggs, High School, Washington, D. C.
F. W. Burrill,
Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield.
- Miss A. J. Butterfield, High School, Hallowell.
Miss Mary Buzzell,
High School, Rochester, N. H.
- B. W. Carr, High School, Pittsfield, N. H.
Miss E. V. Chase, High School, Lewiston.
Miss C. L. Cobb,
Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass.
- E. F. Cunningham, Latin School, Lewiston.
Miss E. L. Dunn, Latin School, Lewiston.
R. W. Emerson, Latin School, Lewiston.
Miss E. L. Farnham, High School, Norway.
H. W. Ferguson,
Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield.
- Henry Gilman, Latin School, Lewiston.
A. W. G. Gray,
Edward Little High School, Auburn.
- A. C. Hanscom, Latin School, Lewiston.
Miss C. M. Hanson,
Edward Little High School, Auburn.
- Miss M. A. Hewins, Latin School, Lewiston.
Miss N. A. Houghton,
Edward Little High School, Auburn.
- W. O. Howe, High School, Hallowell.
A. L. Hubbard, Academy, Limington.
Miss C. M. Jennison,
Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield.
- Miss M. F. Knowles, Academy, Wilton.
Miss Hannah Lowell,
Edward Little High School, Auburn.
- Miss E. M. Lunt, High School, Gardiner.
J. A. Marr, Latin School, Lewiston.
Miss Susan Merrill, Academy, Foxcroft.
Miss M. M. Meserve, Pennell Institute, Gray.
C. E. Milliken, Cony High School, Augusta.
Miss A. L. Noyes, Academy, Wilton.
H. L. Palmer,
Higgins Classical Institute, Charleston.

E. S. Parker,
Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield.
W. O. Phillips,
Friends' Boarding School, Providence, R. I.
Miss Blanche Porter, High School, Westbrook.
Miss F. E. Purinton,
Cony High School, Augusta.
Miss E. B. Roby,
Literary Institution, New Hampton, N. H.
Miss I. L. Rowell, High School, Lewiston.
A. L. Sampson, High School, Farmington.
Everett Skillings, High School, Portland.
J. F. Slattery, High School, Lewiston.
Miss W. S. Sleeper, High School, Lewiston.
Miss C. A. Snell, High School, Winthrop.
R. B. Stanley, High School, Lewiston.
B. F. Sturgis, Jr.,
Edward Little High School, Auburn.
Miss Flora Summerbell,
High School, Lewiston.
A. P. D. Tobien,
Williston Seminary, Easthampton, Mass.
Miss D. M. Twort, High School, Lynn, Mass.
Miss M. A. Vickery,
Washington Academy, East Machias.
W. P. Vining, High School, Lewiston.
Miss B. E. Wiggin,
Edward Little High School, Auburn.
Miss M. W. Winn,
Greeley Institute, Cumberland Center.
C. O. Wright, Latin School, Lewiston.

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

'72.—The degree of D.D. has been conferred on Rev. Arthur Given, who was a member of the class of '67, Bates, by Hillsdale College, Michigan.

'75.—Rev. C. A. Bickford, D.D., delivered a very enjoyable lecture at Ocean Park, August 9th, on the history of Casco Bay. He has also issued a very neat Ocean Park Tourists' Guide.

'79.—Professor A. T. Salley received the degree of D.D. from Hillsdale last June, and, since returning from Berlin, last August, has been recommended by a committee of the trustees of

Bates College to accept the professorship left vacant by the death of Professor Rich.

'79.—Rev. T. H. Stacy, Bates, '76, has accepted a call to Saco, and begins his pastorate October 1st.

'81.—Rev. J. M. Remick has settled as pastor of the Horace Memorial Church, Chelsea, Mass.

'85.—Rev. O. H. Tracy has begun his pastorate at Great Falls, N. H.

'87.—Rev. H. C. Lowden, of North Berwick, is spending part of his vacation in this city.

'92.—Rev. G. E. Kneeland, of Fort Fairfield, made us a visit on the 7th, while on his way to Harrison, the home of his parents.

'93.—Mr. H. R. Purington, Colby, '91, has charge of the Junior class in Hebrew, in place of Professor Rich, deceased.

'94.—Rev. H. H. Hathaway, who entered in the class of '94, and was obliged to leave on account of sickness in his family, has accepted a pastorate at East Otisfield and Casco churches.

Married at Lisbon, Me., September 8th, by Rev. F. Babcock, Miss R. A. Porter, of Lewiston, and Rev. G. A. Downey, '95, Bates, '85.

Professor Anthony has a very interesting article in the September number of the *Homiletic Review*, on "Change of Pastorates."

Friday, September 1st, was observed in memory of Professor Rich, whose death occurred so suddenly on July 6th. Professor Rich had been for many years a faithful and earnest teacher, occupying for twenty-one years the chair of Professor in Hebrew and Old Testa-

ment Interpretation, in Cobb Divinity School, a position which he occupied at the time of his death. He was in every sense a teacher. Kind, patient, ever ready to assist, not only in recitation, but in the often harder lessons of life, he was found a sympathizer—a friend. We miss his kind face and pleasant voice as he went in

and out among us. Dead! Ah, no, such a life can never die. He lives to-day, in the thought and life of those whom he has benefited, respected; loved by those he has taught.

We miss him as our teacher,
From our presence he is gone;
Yet we know that we shall meet him
On the bright and glorious morn.

Alumni Department.

THE CHAPARAL.

Nelson G. Howard, '91, teacher of Science and Mathematics in Rexleigh School, New York, gives in the *Rexleighian* the following interesting account of an incident in his life in New Mexico last year.

I WAS riding on the plains in Cleaves County, near the Rio Hondo, in search of a variety of verbenas which is found there, when I noticed a pile of cactus branches recently broken from the large branching species that abound in that locality. The cactus was particularly well armed with spines at that season (May), and I was surprised to find this mound of most undesirable building material. At first I thought it was the work of some boys who might have camped there the day before, but no traces were visible and my curiosity led me to investigate the cause of this heaping up of thorns on the plains twenty-five miles from the nearest habitation. I rode up and looked at the cactus very closely, but at first I saw nothing that aided me in discovering the object of the builders. I was about to go away when I noticed

a coil of a snake protruding from one side of the heap. I dismounted and pushed away a part of the branches with my *quirt* and there I found a dead rattlesnake that measured four feet two inches. More than a foot of sharp spines weighted down and pierced the body of the snake, holding his snake-ship powerless in a thorny vise. I looked about me for the destroyer of this venomous reptile, but saw nothing that gave me the slightest indication that any human being had been in the locality. I mounted and rode on for several miles watching the plants and animals as I chanced to find them, but the cactus pile puzzled me and I felt a great desire to find out what agency put such effective extermination in the way of rattlers. I was alone all day and I camped that night on the banks of the Rio Hondo. I awoke quite early the next morning, and while I was walking about a hundred yards or so from my camping place I found another cactus pile and under it a dead rattlesnake. Now I was positive that this

was not the work of any man, and it remained for that day to show me this benefactor of travelers. I saw nothing in the forenoon that pleased me in the plants I found, for I thought constantly of cactus piles. While I was resting at about four o'clock in the afternoon I was given a pleasure that I shall never forget. At a distance of five hundred yards I saw a pair of chaparals flying about close to the ground, every now and then dropping something from their beaks. I was interested—my mystery was solved. The chaparals were the destroyers of the rattlers. I learned afterwards from ranch men and cow-boys that these birds are sure to undertake to kill every rattlesnake that appears in the locality of their nests. The chaparal is one of the most interesting birds of the plains. In size it is about the same as the pileated woodpecker, and the beak is about the same; the color is brown with a speckled breast; the legs are about seven inches long, and are wonderfully developed in the muscles of the upper leg so that this bird runs more often than it flies. The food of this bird is composed of reptiles and spiders, and even the tarantula is not safe when the chaparal is seeking a lunch.

PERSONALS.

'67.—Rev. H. F. Wood attended, during the first week in September, the World's Sunday-School Convention at St. Louis, Mo.

'68.—Professor G. C. Chase lectured on University Extension, August 11th, at Ocean Park.

'72.—Rev. C. A. Bickford, D.D., gave an address on the early history of Casco Bay, August 10th, at Ocean Park.

'74.—J. F. Keene has a law office at 640 Temple Court, Minneapolis, Minn.

'74.—F. P. Moulton, of the Hartford (Conn.) High School, has the credit of sending to the class of '97, Yale, the students best prepared in Latin.

'74.—Rev. J. H. Hoffman, pastor of Congregational church, Peterboro, N. H., has accepted a call to Kearney, Neb.

'74.—Rev. C. S. Frost has accepted a call from the Bangor Free Baptist Church, and entered upon his duties the first Sunday in September.

'75.—Hon. A. M. Spear, of Gardiner, President of the Maine Senate, delivered a lecture on "Business and Farm Law" at a meeting held under the direction of the Maine Board of Agriculture during State Fair week.

'75.—Professor A. G. Salley, who returned in July from a residence of two years in Germany, has been recommended as the successor of the late Professor Thomas Hill Rich, in the department of Hebrew, Cobb Divinity School, to enter upon his duties in 1894. Professor Salley will resume his duties at Hillsdale this month.

'77.—B. T. Hathaway, Esq., of Anoka, Minn., has returned from a vacation visit in Maine.

'81.—W. P. Foster, Esq., has a poem in the September *Century*.

'81.—O. H. Drake has reconsidered his resignation and will remain at Pittsfield as principal of Maine Central Institute.

'81.—Charlotte P., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Wilbur, died at Camden, August 9th.

'83.—L. B. Hunt is to have charge of the scientific department in Westbrook Seminary.

'83.—Dr. O. L. Bartlett, of Rockland, has gone to Chicago to take a post-graduate course in diseases of the eye and ear.

'84.—Born, July 30th, to the wife of D. L. Whitmarsh, a daughter.

'85.—Dr. William B. and Maud H. (Ingalls) Small have a son born August 25th (William Drew).

'86.—The *Lewiston Journal*, of July 1st, contains a very interesting letter from Rev. Charles Hadley, descriptive of a journey through India by rail, palanquin, etc.

'86.—At the Piscataquis Teachers' Convention, at Foxcroft, August 15th, a memorial service was held in the evening in honor of Professor C. E. B. Libby, late principal of Monson Academy. State Superintendent Luce spoke at considerable length, eulogizing the life, character, and work of the deceased, and he was followed by several others in the same vein.

'86.—F. H. Nickerson, formerly of Everett High School, has been elected principal of the high school and superintendent of schools in Whitman, Mass.

'86.—F. E. Parlin has been elected superintendent of the schools of Natick, Mass.

'87.—E. K. Sprague, M.D., and Miss C. R. Blaisdell, both of '87, were married recently.

'87.—L. G. Roberts, Esq., late of the firm of Drew & Roberts, has left

Lewiston to practice law in Boston. His address is Room 95, Equitable Building.

'87.—F. W. Chase was married July 5th to Miss Lillian P. Robbins, of Belfast, Me.

'88.—F. S. Hamlet, M.D., has removed to Hallowell, where he is meeting with excellent success in his profession.

'88.—F. A. Weeman, of Crescent City, Cal., has been visiting relatives in Lewiston. Mr. Weeman is principal of the Crescent City High School, and superintendent of the city schools.

'88.—J. H. Blanchard, late of the Fairfield High School, has been elected superintendent of schools in Waterville.

'88.—W. S. Dunn is teaching in Hamilton Institute, New York City.

'88.—H. Hatter has been in Maine in the interest of Storer College, Harper's Ferry, West Virginia.

'89.—G. H. Libby and wife (formerly Miss Harriet Pulsifer, Bates, '91,) have returned to Denver, Col., from a visit to Maine.

'89.—F. J. Daggett has been admitted to the Suffolk Bar, and will practice in Boston.

'89.—Miss Blanche A. Wright has been ordained and installed pastor of the Universalist churches at Newport and Middleville, N. Y.

'90.—H. V. Neal has been the past summer at Wood's Holl working with the United States Fish Commission in the study of marine animals and plants. Mr. Neal will study two years more at Harvard.

'90.—Of the seven young ladies who

graduated in the class of '90, six enjoyed a pleasant reunion at Harpswell, July 28th.

'90.—T. M. Singer is visiting his old home in the north of Ireland to assist in the settlement of the estate of his father, who died recently. He intends to return and join his class in the Yale Divinity School.

'90.—Miss Ellen F. Snow has been re-elected, at an increased salary, teacher of Latin and Mathematics in the high school at Keene, N. H.

'90.—Miss Mary F. Angell has returned from Oberlin College, and will spend the winter in Lewiston.

'90.—W. F. Garcelon, by winning high honors in the trial contest, has been selected by the Boston Athletic Association to represent it in the coming athletic meet at Chicago.

'90.—G. H. Hamlen expects to sail this month, with his wife, to his missionary field in India.

'90.—W. W. Woodman will enter the Harvard Law School this month.

'91.—Miss A. A. Beal, who resigned her position in the high school at Dover, N. H., is improving in health. She started last week for California, where she will pass the winter.

'91.—Miss L. M. Bodge will continue her graduate studies at Harvard.

'91.—F. J. Chase has formed a law partnership with his cousin, C. W. Chase, Esq., in Kansas City.

'91.—F. W. Larrabee has resigned his position in the Edward Little High School and entered the office of Newell & Judkins to study law.

'91.—N. G. Howard and Miss Edith E. Fairbanks were married July

18th in Lewiston. Mr. Howard has been elected principal of the Northboro (Mass.) High School.

'91.—F. W. Plummer has been elected sub-principal of the Lewiston High School.

'92.—Miss Josephine F. King was married, July 18th, to Lincoln J. Bodge, Esq., Bowdoin, '89, a member of the Minneapolis bar.

'92.—R. A. Small will take a post-graduate course at Harvard this year.

'92.—C. C. Ferguson has been elected assistant principal of Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, Me.

'92.—Shepard is superintendent of schools in Pascoag, R. I.

'93.—A. C. Yeaton has been associated this summer with Professor Atwater, of Wesleyan University, in the chemical analysis of food products at the experiment station of the Columbian Exposition.

'93.—Miss G. P. Conant has been elected teacher of Elocution and Physical Culture in the Vermont Academy, Saxton's River, Vt.

'93.—A. P. Irving was married, August 10th, to Miss M. Gertrude Wright, of Lewiston. They left for North Anson, where Mr. Irving will have charge of the academy.

'93.—C. C. Spratt was married recently to Miss Minnie L. Gardiner, of Palermo. Mr. Spratt has been elected principal of Richmond High School.

'93.—Miss J. F. Hodgdon has accepted a position in the high school, Middleboro, Mass., to teach Physics, Chemistry, Greek, and Gymnastics.

'93.—N. C. Bruce will begin his work as teacher of Classics in Shaw

University, October 2d. During the past vacation he sold over twelve hundred dollars worth of desks in eight weeks in New Brunswick.

'93.—H. B. Adams is teaching the New Portland High School.

'93.—Miss A. G. Bailey is assistant in Monson Academy.

'93.—Miss A. L. Bean is teaching in Wilton Academy.

'93.—George M. Chase began his work as principal of the Alfred High School, September 4th.

'93.—Miss H. D. Church is assistant in the high school at Lisbon, N. H.

'93.—E. L. Haynes and Miss Minnie W. Fairfield were married on Monday, July 3d.

'93.—M. E. Joiner has been elected principal of the Mechanic Falls High School.

'93.—A. B. Libby is teaching the Denmark High School.

'93.—Miss C. B. Little has been chosen to a position as teacher of Sciences in the Malden (Mass.) High School.

'93.—G. L. Mildram has been elected principal of the Pittsfield Grammar School.

'93.—L. A. Ross is principal of Guilford High School, Guilford, Me.

'93.—W. F. Sims has been elected principal of Litchfield Academy.

'93.—E. W. Small has been elected principal of Monmouth Academy.

'93.—E. L. Pennell has been chosen principal of Eastport High School.

'93.—M. W. Stickney is teaching the high school at Brownville.

'93.—R. A. Sturges is principal of Winthrop High School.

'93.—The positions of several other members of the class of '93 are mentioned in the Commencement issue of the STUDENT.

College Exchanges.

AS THE Exchange editor returned to the sanctum after the vicissitudes of vacation, and again hunted up the scissors and paste-pot, he rejoiced in the thought that he would have an endless quantity of material for his never-ready pen. Alas for the fallibility of human expectations! Hardly a dozen of our long list of exchanges were to be found anywhere, and these were, oh, so dry! Mummies of Commencement orations and addresses, baccalaureate sermons, class poems, and society exercises were al-

most the only reward of the most careful search.

Now, of course, it is highly gratifying to see one's Commencement or Class-day efforts preserved in printer's ink, but why in the world such productions should be inflicted upon the college magazine is more than we can understand. The students and those of the alumni who would have any particular interest have already heard them. Why, then, should they be compelled to read them in the college paper, which might better be filled

with some more appropriate literature.

Of the exchanges for June which we find upon our table, the *Howard-Payne Exponent* is perhaps the best from a literary standpoint. It contains, among other good things, an excellent comparison of the poetry of Tennyson and Whittier, and an interesting article upon John Wycliffe. The external appearance and the arrangement of the contents is also very tasty, as might be expected from the sex of the Howard-Payne students.

The *Volunteer*, published by the Concord High School, and the *Breeze*, by Cushing Academy, are by far the best of the fitting school papers for June. Both have several fine cuts,

and both do honor to their schools.

There is nothing bashful about the Lassell girls. When they are engaged or married they want people to know it. Two of the departments in their college paper are devoted to marriages and engagements.

One of our exchanges, whose editors, it would seem, have been much troubled by the diffuseness of some of their poetic contributors, gives the following commendable advice:

When you write a merry jest
Cut it short;
It will be too long at best,
Cut it short;
Life is brief and full of care;
Editors don't like to swear;
Treat your poem like your hair;
Cut it short.

College Notes.

A TIME TO LAUGH.

I saw the man who drove the hearse
Grin like a fiend for full a minute;
"Why, 'sir,'" I asked, "this ill-timed mirth?"
"Because," he chuckled, "I'm not in it."
—Univeroity Cynic.

The students in Iowa College have subscribed over \$10,000 for a Y. M. C. A. building.

Oxford consists of 22 colleges and has 12,000 students, including graduates and undergraduates.

A university for women is soon to be established in Germany. It will be the first of its kind in that country.

The first college paper was published at Dartmouth in 1800. It was called the *Gazette* and had Daniel Webster as one of its contributors.

Yale has a yacht club with a membership of one hundred and a fleet of twenty-five vessels.

Wesleyan University is rejoicing in the construction of a new gymnasium.

This year, Johns Hopkins, for the first time in its history, conferred the degree of Ph.D. upon a woman. Miss Florence Bascom is the one thus honored.

The plan of college government at Wesleyan, in which the undergraduates are admitted to a share, has been definitely framed by the Faculty. Four Seniors, three Juniors, two Sophomores, and one Freshman will be associated with not more than five members of the Faculty.



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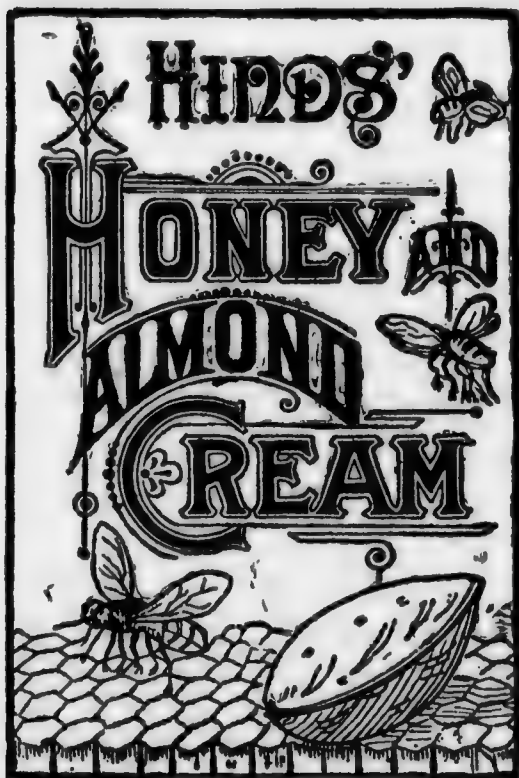


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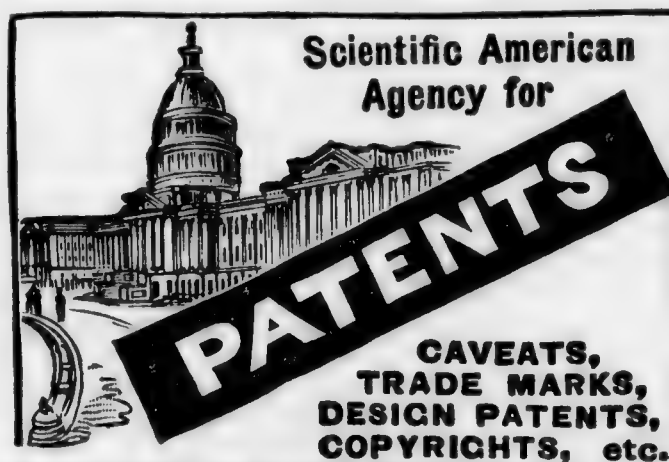
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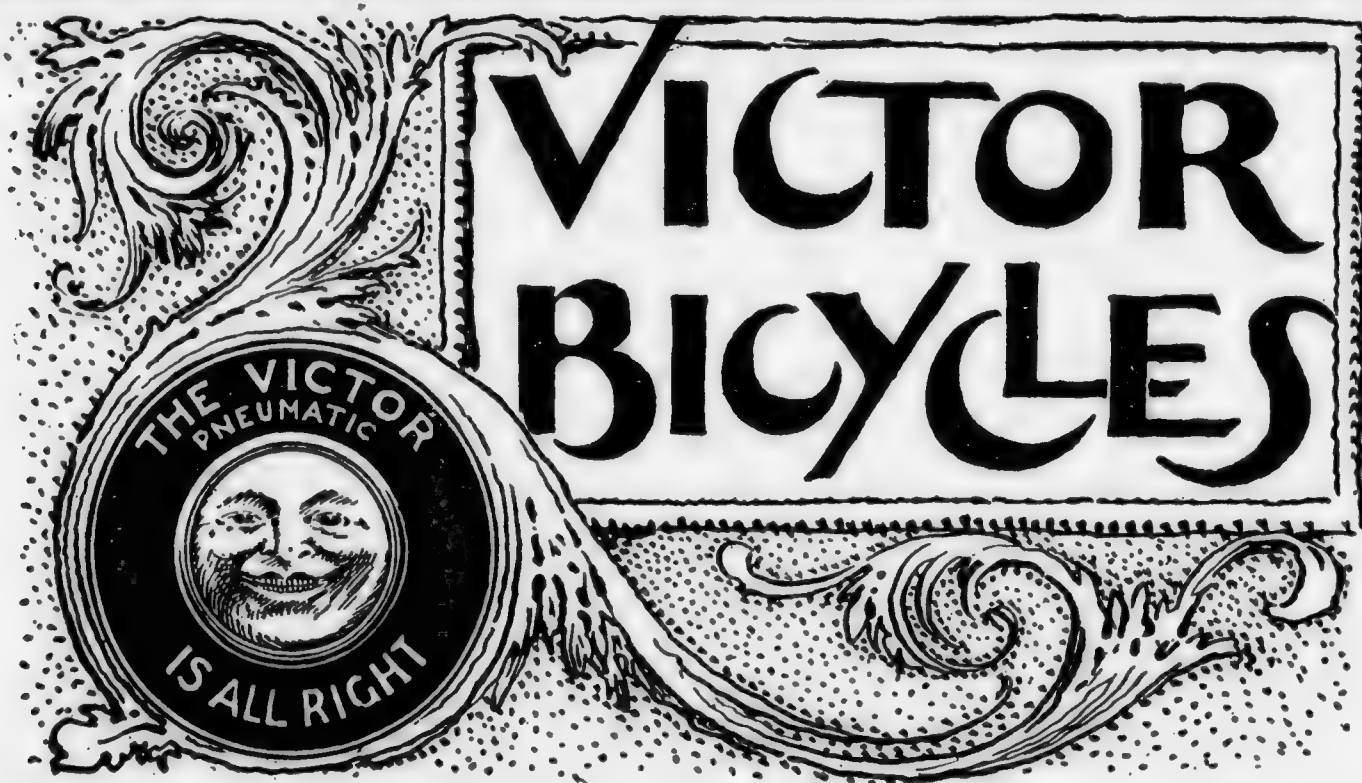
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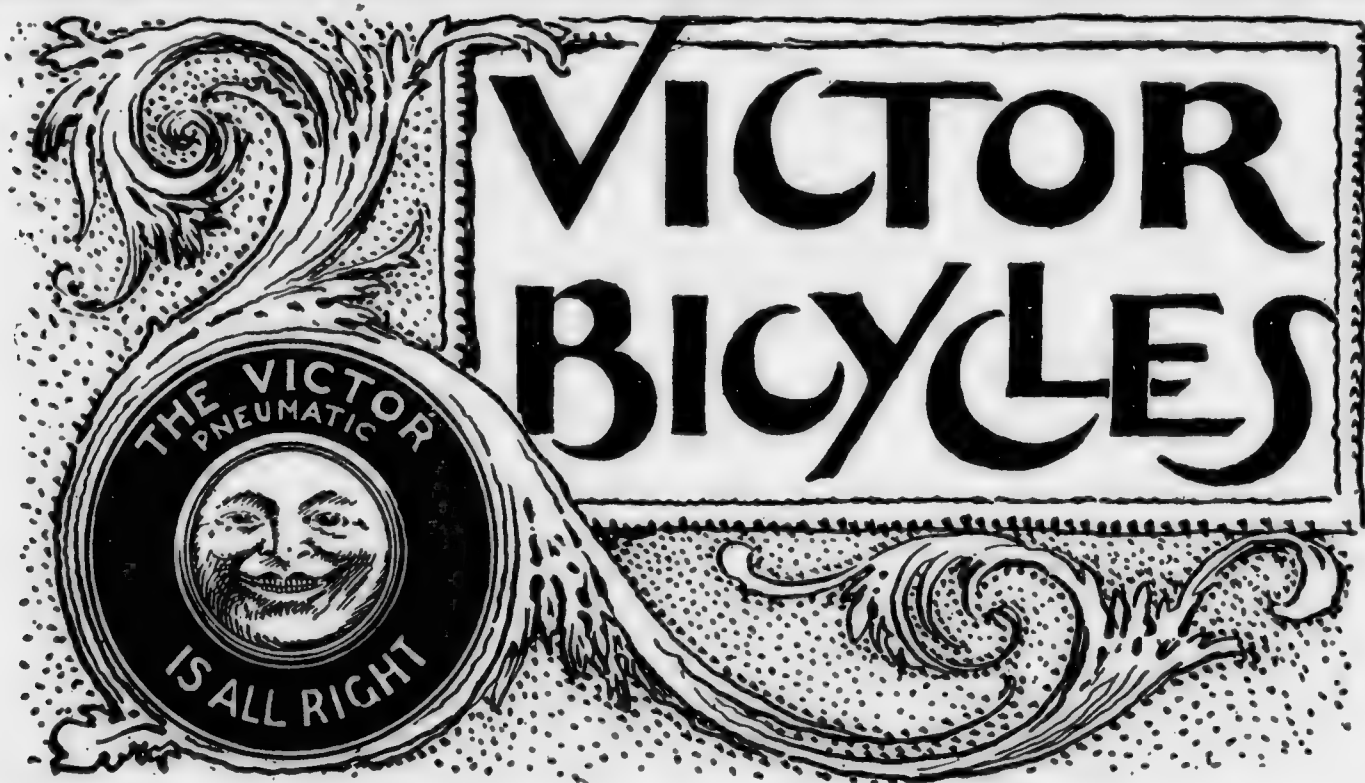
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and expressions of his face. The study of action to interpret character forms a large part of our intercourse with one another. Even a man's handwriting is often scrutinized as an index of what he is.

It is a very noticeable fact in this branch of study, as in many others, that those who make the loudest boasts of their ability are usually the least proficient.

The importance of the study of character is obvious. Being able to understand others not only leads us to better appreciate our own strength and weakness, but is essential in all of our dealings with one another. The minister, lawyer, and overseer have to do almost entirely with the study of men. Whatever one's position in life, he owes his success in business, his pleasure in society and in the companionship of friends, and his higher appreciation of the meaning of life, largely to his study of character.

IS THERE no way to repress the omnipresent "yagger"? He is becoming a veritable nuisance. It was bad enough in the past when he preempted the gym. or tennis courts, and held them against all comers. But now he seizes the foot-ball field, and, with his usual modesty, appropriates that to his own particular use and pleasure. Now to have fifty or a hundred young fellows rushing about the field during the regular practice of the team is, to say the least, exceedingly awkward. The recent unfortunate accident, resulting in the breaking of an arm, shows but too well the need of

a radical change in this respect. Of course one does not like to be selfish, but the team needs and must have all the practice and the best practice that it can possibly obtain. Satisfactory improvement can be secured in no other way. But in order to attain the desired end there is need above all things of a good clear field. A player cannot stop to dodge a dozen urchins and at the same time execute a play with any degree of success. The ground marked out for foot-ball practice should be left entirely to the foot-ball men. So let each student, unless he is in the game himself, keep outside the line and assist in keeping the "yaggers" outside the line. In no other way can he give the eleven so efficient assistance.

BATES has always been famous for her interest and success in baseball, but foot-ball has never, till this season, obtained a firm footing here. The fall term has usually, to a considerable extent, been devoted to tennis. This year witnesses a great change in the right direction. Tennis still has its supporters, but the interest of the students has turned strongly in favor of foot-ball.

While our team has much yet to learn, in regard to the game, it possesses that all-important quality commonly called "sand." In addition to this, it has confidence in itself and also the unqualified support of the college. The recent game with Colby demonstrated that with practice we have a winning team.

The students generally are so inter-

ested in the game, and so many are practicing, that next year will find a large number of candidates to fill the positions on the regular team. There is no reason why ours should not rank with the best teams in the state.

THE public exercises which take place near the end of the Fall Term will soon be upon us. We are glad to note a sentiment, gaining ground of late, against making these declamations and debates a place for the display of ill-feeling between the lower classes. Whatever merit there may be in class contests, we are very sure that a public exercise of the college is no place for them. The college and the students as a whole should not be made to bear the opprobrium resulting from a display of rowdyism and bad blood by a few rash and unthinking minds. There is an abundance of times and places for the exercise of prowess and valor, without choosing a time when the public has been invited to a literary entertainment. Why any sane persons should ever select this time for acts of violence is incomprehensible. The exercises referred to are as public and as truly college exercises in which all should take pride as those of Commencement week; and what would be thought of any one who would so far forget the credit of the college, the honor of the whole body of students, and his own decency, as to do any act which would mar the enjoyment of these occasions.

If there are differences to be settled, old scores to be paid off, or superiority to be established, let it be done in a

manly way and in a proper place; but the sentiment of the students will not uphold any attempt to turn these public exercises from their proper channel. That indications point to the co-operation of all in making these exercises a credit to us is a matter of congratulation, and we trust we are not mistaken in our belief that in this respect, as it does in others, Bates possesses a progressive and enlightened spirit.

"The papers in reporting the opening of the fall terms at the various colleges, speak encouragingly of the foot-ball prospects, but say little or nothing as to other branches of study. It looks as though the parents of students might do some of the kicking."

THUS the editor of a Maine newspaper recently expressed his ideas on college sports. Frequently we hear people when passing the college on their way to or from the city express their ideas in a still more pointed style. We have in mind, in particular, a man's remark while passing the tennis courts during the recent tournament.

Sentiments of this kind bring vividly to mind, scenes connected with those little red school-houses that have been so important a factor in the founding of our national institutions. When the boys were deeply interested in ball or quoits, they were also deeply interested in their studies, being better behaved and requiring but little government. On the other hand when there were no sports to relieve the monotony of study the overflowing animal spirits were vented in defacing the school-house or in sullen and disorderly conduct.

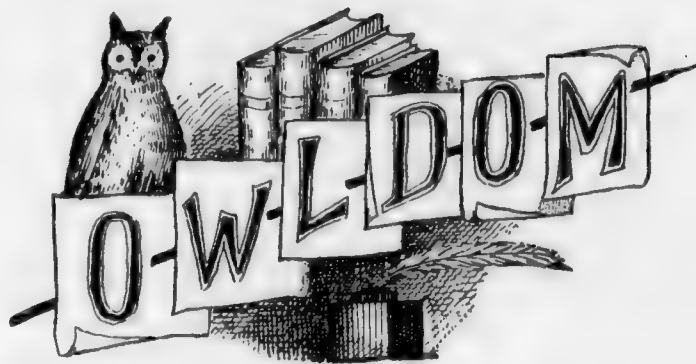
In this respect young men in college

do not differ from boys in the district school. They have a certain amount of superfluity that must be disposed of in one way or another. Study will not remove it, and yet, it must be removed before thorough study can be secured. In a scientific point of view study draws an extra amount of blood to the brain, and vigorous exercise sends it to the muscles. To this end gymnasium work will relieve a tired brain, but not so quickly or effectually as some interesting game that gives a pastime for both mind and muscles.

Usually the fall term is the most turbulent of any during the college year, but thus far, this term has been the most peaceful of any during our college course. The students are very attentive to the work of the class-room, and especially prompt to take part in the society work. We can attribute this only to the unusual interest taken in college sports. We believe that study and recreation go hand in hand, the former requiring the latter and the latter aiding the former.

At Tufts College a scientific and manual training school for students of both sexes will be established by the provisions of the will of the late Henry B. Pearson. An additional sum of \$30,000 is also secured from the same source to be used under certain circumstances.

Professor Turner, of Edinburgh, receives a \$20,000 salary, the largest remuneration of any college professor in the world.



THE other night the Owl was happily perched in a pleasant back parlor not more than a hundred miles from Hathorn Hall. Why he was there is immaterial and has nothing to do with the subject at hand. Suffice it to say that he was there. At intervals there came to his ears from behind the portiere, which separated the back and front parlors, the murmur of happy voices, occasionally light laughter, then silence more potent than either. Of course the Owl, with all his supernatural powers, could hardly fail to recognize the college lad and lassie in the other room. Well, time flew on with airy pinions, and youth, and joyousness, and gladsome hearts held mirthful carnival. In the words of the poet, "all went merry as a marriage bell." Suddenly, wh-r-r-r-r-r! ding! dang! r-r-r-r-r--! bif! bang!" bursts upon the affrighted ear, while a little innocent-looking clock, that none would suspect of any but the best intentions, clanged forth with gloating, hideous, fiendish maliciousness "ding! ding! ding! ding! ding! ding! ding! ding! ding-ng-ng!" The youth "stood not upon the order of his going, but went at once." Into the night's thick blackness he went forth, and all the charm of life was blotted out forever. Now is this

seemly? Does it accord with the eternal fitness of things in general, thus, in a world so full of sorrow, to circumscribe the bliss? Truly the Owl hath pondered long upon the subject, and in his mighty wisdom, hath opinions of his own.

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THE Owl put on his colored spectacles, recently, just to conceal his piercing eyes, and started out to perform his nocturnal duties. He easily effected his entrance to a co-ed's parlor by an invisible passage, and perched himself upon the clock. In the farther

corner of the room an Ed and Co-ed were holding down a sofa, and as the hands of the clock approached the fateful hour, the Ed remarked that he must be going; but the Co-ed begged him to stay. "Why," said he, "it is almost ten o'clock now!" The Co-ed, rising, told him not to fret, and taking a large book—Oh! my horrors! shall I say it?—stood it up before the clock, completely shutting out the Owl's view. Returning to her Ed she added, "How can we tell what time it is when we can't see the clock?" The Owl had witnessed enough for one night, and departed as silently as he had entered.

Literary.

A COINCIDENCE.

COLLEGE CLUB PRIZE STORY.

BY BERTHA A. BRYANT, '96.

"HERE, Tom, mail this letter on your way to the bank. It is important, so don't forget it," and as the boy closes the door behind him, the speaker, with a sigh of relief, throws himself into an easy-chair.

It has been a successful year for Ralph Warner, for he has proven himself a man of thought, equal in every respect to the great thinkers of the day. As the author of "The Hero of the Nineteenth Century" he has become known as one of the most popular writers of fiction. But it is by much uphill work that he has at length attained to this position. For it is ever difficult to bring one's self from almost

obscurity before the public as a claimant to its homage.

Seven years before, as a Sophomore in college, he had manifested a genius for writing which prophesied for him a future of a peculiar brightness. But it was at this time that he was called home by the sudden death of his mother. One day, a few weeks later, his father, who was an eminent physician, was brought home dead. He had been thrown from his horse, and striking his head upon a stone, had been instantly killed. Just before the accident, however, he had told Ralph, in a long confidential talk, that he was not their own son as he had always supposed; that about eighteen years before there had been a terrible railroad accident in the little town of W——, which

was a few hours' ride from New York. Dr. Warner, who was then a struggling physician at that place, was among the first to arrive at the scene of disaster. Of the fatally injured there was a woman who clasped to her breast a child which, strange to say, was unharmed. No friends came to identify her, so the doctor and his wife had cared for her. But she died soon after, remaining unconscious to the last.

The clothing of both mother and child showed them to be people of wealth. In an inner pocket of the lady's dress they found a small photograph of a very beautiful girl, a curiously twisted key with strange characters deeply indented upon it. There was also a handkerchief marked G. T., and a purse containing some fifty odd dollars. Meanwhile they had kept the child, which was a boy of perhaps eighteen months, almost hoping that no one would come to claim him, for the bright, pretty little fellow had already won his way to their hearts. The doctor, however, advertised for several weeks, giving a description of the lady and her child, but received no clue to their identity. So at the end of that time Dr. Warner and his wife, being childless, adopted the little fellow as their own, calling him by the name Ralph, which they found engraved on a tiny pin in his dress.

Soon after, an uncle of Dr. Warner having died and willed him his property here, in the distant city of L—, they had moved hither, where the doctor had established a fine practice. Here Ralph had received his early education, and was in the midst of his Sophomore

year at college, when his parents died. After the death of Dr. Warner it was found that his business affairs were in a state of confusion, and that he was not as rich as people had supposed. He had paid out a large sum of money, in fact all that he had at hand, to help a friend in a business investment, which had failed. Since he had done it at his own risk, it was a total loss to himself. Ralph, when he learned that he was not Dr. Warner's own son, refused to continue his course in college longer at the good man's expense. So he had secured a position in a bank at L— and had already become a great favorite with his employers, when Dr. Warner met with the accident which deprived him of life. Working in the bank all day, he spent his evenings in hard study, so that at the end of the term he took the examinations with his class, and in the fall entered the Junior class. Then it was that he began to do something in the line of story writing, in which he became very successful, in a small way. And so by much outside work and many sleepless nights spent in writing, he finished his course, and graduated with honors. After his graduation he started out in his chosen line of work and by steady perseverance attained the position which he now holds.

So to-day he feels that he can well afford to accept the oft-repeated invitation of his college chum, Max Thorn-dyke, to visit him at his southern home. The letter which he has just dispatched is directed to him, saying that it is his purpose to be with him in a week.

So at the end of the week we find

him aboard a train which is steaming into the depot of a southern city. Looking from the car window he sees the bright, handsome face of his friend Max, while the colored coachman stands near him, whip in hand. Stepping from the train he is met with a warm hand-clasp and the hearty greeting, "Well, Sir Knight, have you at last deigned to shed the light of your countenance upon us? I should say that it was time. You are actually rusty. Where have you been keeping yourself the past two years? I have hold of you now, old fellow, and you will remember that my grasp was always tenacious." And so the gay-hearted fellow runs on, not even waiting for Ralph to answer his questions. Arriving at Cedar Grove, the home of Max, he meets with the same cordial, hospitable greeting from the latter's parents. The next few weeks are a round of gayety and sight-seeing.

Ralph Warner, the author, he of the handsome face and courtly bearing, becomes the lion of Richmond society. Always gentle and most respectful to women, yet they soon learn to feel his perfect indifference to them.

One of the pleasures which the friends most enjoy is in driving about the city and its suburbs in Max's fine turn-out. One day, when they are driving a little way out of the city, Max points out a large house situated on the side of a hill, and almost hidden by trees.

"That," says Max, is "Tanglewood, the old Bancroft estate, and was formerly one of the richest in the South. It was built way back in the colonial times by a Sir Guy Bancroft, one of a

number of the English nobility who came and settled here in Virginia. It is said to be the same in structure as his baronial estate in England. Whether it is or not, it contains a great many things of interest, and is full of secret places. It has been unoccupied for the twenty odd years since Grace Bancroft, the last in descent, married and went on to the North to live. We will go over it now if you would like to, Ralph. To be sure, the agent lives in the city, but I know an old negro couple who live on the place, and they will do anything for me. What do you say, shall we do it?"

As his friend consents, Max turns in to the long winding driveway, above which the trees interlock. As they near the house Ralph perceives that it is indeed an immense structure, and that it would resemble more than anything else an old English castle, if it was not for the various additions made by the more recent occupants. They find old Joe, however, rather unwilling to let them go through the house, but after much coaxing from Max, he finally consents. The house is apparently in the same order within in which the last occupants had left it. The furnishings are rich, but somewhat moth eaten from disuse. There are fine paintings upon the walls and beautiful statuary scattered about through the rooms. It is while they are rummaging about in the library that Ralph espies a tiny button almost hidden by the door-frame. Out of curiosity he presses it and a panel flies open, revealing a second with a revolving brass plate. In this is a long, curiously designed key-hole with curious

characters scratched upon the brass. Ralph is immediately struck with the resemblance between these characters and those upon the key which he always carries about with him. He takes it from his bunch of keys and compares them. Max, who is examining the second panel, is startled by hearing Ralph say beneath his breath, "Can it be!"

"Can what be," demands Max, "why, what is the matter, old fellow?" and he gives Ralph a gentle shake.

"Wait a moment," is the answer, and the speaker thrusts the key in the lock. It fits! He tries to turn it, but at first can make no impression upon it. He then turns it in the opposite direction and lo—the second panel opens, disclosing a fire-proof safe set into the wall. Max looks on in astonishment, and at last he exclaims, "Why Ralph, where did you find that key?" Before he answers, Ralph closes the panels quickly for fear that the old negro may enter suddenly. "I will explain later," he says in a low voice. So on the way home he divulges to Max what the reader knows already,—how he came by the key.

This coincidence makes a great impression on the minds of both the young men, and especially upon Ralph. He determines to make inquiries, so on the following day calls to see the agent, but finds that he is away and will not return for several months. As he is traveling about from place to place, Ralph is unable to learn where he is. In the midst of his disappointment he is called home to see about the publication of his new book, "A

Great Mystery." However, before he returns, he has exacted the promise from Max to come on and spend the following summer with him at Newport.

Another year is gone and it is again summer. It is August, and they have been having fine weather at Newport. Pushing off in a yacht are a party of four. The two young men in yachting suits we will readily recognize as our hero and his friend, to whom unitedly the yacht belongs. For several weeks they have been enjoying the salt sea breezes and gay society at Newport. The two ladies with them are the cynosure of many curious eyes, for any one who receives attention at the hands of Ralph Warner or Max Thorn-dyke is considered the most favored of mortals. Of the bevy of pretty girls at Newport, these two are the prettiest.

She of the blonde beauty is Rose Trevor, and her friend, a pretty brunette, is Blanche Maynard, both of whom are from New York.

Max, the fair and the fickle, taken with every pretty face he sees, is at last truly smitten, and is become the devoted admirer of Miss Maynard. To cover up his own surrender he teases Ralph, the hitherto indifferent youth, about his attentions to Miss Trevor. Ralph has been attracted from the first by Miss Trevor's likeness to the photograph of his mother's friend.

He is speaking to her now about this very thing, as he places the photograph in her hand. "Why," she exclaims, "this is the very counterpart of one my mother has of herself, taken about thirty years ago.

Yes, and by the same photographer,—Ritz! And then follow many questions, which Ralph cannot answer. But when he again reaches the hotel, he goes immediately in search of Mrs. Trevor, whom he finds among a group of richly dressed ladies, among whom there is a suppressed flutter of excitement as he draws near. “Mrs. Trevor,” says our hero hurriedly, “will you spare me a few moments?” As she turns about, we cannot fail to recognize the great resemblance between mother and daughter. “Gladly,” says the lady pleasantly, “and as many as you like.” As Ralph leads into the parlor, which is now vacant, for the visitors, because of the excessive heat, are all out of doors, Mrs. Trevor says:

“Mr. Warner, do you know when you spoke to me I was reminded, and in fact have been more or less since I first met you, of a dear friend of mine, who is now dead?”

“Perhaps,” he says, smilingly, “the recognition is mutual,” and as he speaks, places the photograph in her hand.

“Why,” she exclaims, “if it is not too impertinent, may I ask where you found this?”

“Then you recognize it?” asks Ralph, eagerly.

“Yes, certainly,” she answers, “it is a photograph of myself, taken just after I came out of school.”

“Then perhaps you can help me to find out what I have been seeking to know for several years,” and Ralph relates to her what he knows of his mother, of the accident, and his adoption.

“Do you know what your real name is?” asked Mrs. Trevor.

“I do not,” says Ralph, “I only know that it is Ralph, and that my mother’s initials were G. T.”

“I am more glad than I can say to be the one to reveal to you who you are,” says the lady. “There is no doubt, I think, that you are the son of my dear friend, Grace Thurston. Poor Grace, and we never knew what became of her! What a sad ending it was for the bright, beautiful girl, for she was hardly more than a girl when she was married. Let me tell you about her. I first saw her at a boarding-school in New York. Grace Bancroft was a bright, pretty southern girl, one whom you could not help loving. We became fast friends, and—” but is interrupted by Ralph, who says, “Pardon me, Mrs. Trevor, but did you say Bancroft?” Then, of course, follow more explanations on Ralph’s part concerning the mystery of the key. It seems that it was the key to the secret safe where all the old Bancroft valuables were kept.

“When Grace married,” resumes Mrs. Trevor, “she lived for a time in New York, and there you were born. I have a picture of you taken when you were about a year old. Soon after, Mr. Thurston, who was a very wealthy merchant, was called to Europe on business, and during that time Grace went south to visit her father who was ill. I received one letter from her, stating her father’s death, and then I never heard from her again. Neither did we learn anything from Mr. Thurston, until one day a month later he

rushed in upon us with a wild, haggard face, and asked if we knew where his wife and child were. We could give no information. He said that he had written repeatedly but had received no answer. He went south and hunted up every clue possible; he even employed detectives, but to no purpose. Old Joe was the only one who could volunteer any information, and he, not much. He said that after old Mr. Bancroft died, Mrs. Thurston had shut up the house and said that she was going to visit friends in the western part of Pennsylvania. But for some reason or other she had not gone there. She had taken her old black nurse with her, and she was probably killed in the accident. At the end of two years Mr. Thurston returned to Europe a broken-hearted man. We hear from him occasionally," she says in closing, "he is a great friend of my husband." Then they go out on the veranda and meet with Rose and Blanche who are just returning from a walk, to whom Ralph is made known by his true name. Later Mrs. Trevor says to her husband, "I am very much pleased with the manner in which things are turning out. Ralph, I know, simply adores Rose, and, although she is very silent about it, without doubt the admiration is mutual." At all events, before the season is over Rose is heard to say, with a saucy little laugh, "Well, Ralph, mamma will tell you that I have always had a weakness for authors."

As it is a moonlight evening and in a most romantic spot, down on the rocks by the sea, we can easily imagine

the rest of the scene, and supply the appropriate words. Max and Blanche are not far distant, and I should say are not far behind their friends in other ways, also.

"A most enjoyable summer," so the sojourners at Newport say, as with sighs of regret that the season can not be extended, they take their departure. So think our party of four, whose engagements have been duly digested by society, the past week.

When Mr. Thurston learned of the existence of his son he came immediately from Europe. Ralph went on to New York to meet him, and we may imagine what a joyful meeting it was, although saddened because of the absence of the mother. They go back to Newport, and many are the hours that father and son, reunited, spend in talking over the events in the lives of each other, and of the beloved wife and mother who had been taken so cruelly from them. Later on, they visit her grave, and soon a slender shaft of white marble rears its head above her. Ralph endows "Tom," otherwise known as Thomas Norton, who is very desirous of going to college, with the house at L——. Ralph and Rose live at Tanglewood, which has been remodeled. Mr. Thurston lives with them, and delights much in the prattle of a little Ralph. Ralph the elder has written many books since his first visit to Tanglewood, and every year grows more popular as a story writer. Max and Blanche live in a fine residence at Richmond, and they often speak of how they were all brought together by a coincidence.

ONE VIEW OF AN OLD SUBJECT.

BY A. B. HOWARD, '96.

THE writer has so often found himself at a loss to give any satisfactory idea of the real benefits of the college, when approached by people whose knowledge of the requirements of higher education is somewhat vague; so often has he been unable to satisfy himself as to the same matter; so often has he encountered the young man who has never darkened college doors, who notwithstanding claims perfect equality, and this, too, with some show of plausibility; so often has he heard students from various colleges express a dissatisfaction with the tangible results of their years of study, that the subject of the discipline of college life in its entirety, has been brought forcibly to his attention. Furthermore, an idea, even if it be of real value, is worth little to its possessor unless it be carefully formulated. These facts briefly account for the present attempt to re-clothe a somewhat time-worn subject, although the views here expressed are not particularly original or complete, nor are they supposed to carry any weight of authority.

There are few students who will not, when brought squarely to the issue, admit that their course is benefiting them. But if pressed for an exact answer, they are forced to seek cover under some form of generalization, leaving the matter enveloped in a partial haze, to the clearing away of which this article, provided the kindly reader will mentally supply a few rays of light from his own inner consciousness, is directed.

No question need be raised as to the excellent results of a standard course of study carefully undertaken. On this point all are agreed. Yet, without remarking particularly upon the small percentage to whom the above will strictly apply, let us lay down a few hypotheses: First, given one man pursuing a course of study identical with that of the college, under a tutor, will the result be identical? or, given any number of men taking the ordinary course, minus the accompanying elements of athletics and college societies; again, take the contents of an average college, and substitute for the studies a corresponding division of time for various kinds of manual labor,—the results of such labor to be not immediately apparent; lastly, given an entire absence of study, substituting ordinary college athletics,—and what will be the results? The natural conclusion is that the discipline of college life is really an intricate thing, and the balancing of its component parts a matter of great nicety.

The first, and perhaps the main indicated source of discipline, is association; but we are met by the fact that the public schools, and society in general, furnish the individual with any amount of associations; but we can easily dispose of the schools by the statement that the associations there are purely local, and that community of interest is very slight; and this will apply in some degree to most situations in after life. Perhaps it is well at this stage to drop any attempt at systematic discussion, and proceed as best we can without, after lumping

the benefits of the student's life, apart from those of the class-room proper, under the heading of "associations."

The student in college, if he be of ordinary fibre, must assume a position in the social economy of his *Alma Mater*. He becomes a part of an aggressive community, in which he feels that he is a factor; he must either be counted upon for certain things, or he must be ignored; he must take sides; and granted that his decisions may be influenced by majorities, or by college traditions, yet it is safe to say that the actual sentiment of American colleges is more often right than wrong, and it is also safe to say that if he decides in error, the actual cause is often remote from immediate college pressure. The student, then, on entering college, is transferred from a life of comparative passivity to one of more or less action. If he engages to an extent in some particular branch of work, his surroundings are such as to impart a peculiar tone to his efforts which is difficult to explain. And discipline comes through action.

Class associations can be and ought to be of the greatest value. If there is one thing that the spirit of the American college demands, it is class unanimity and class honor. The individual comes more prominently to the front in class matters, and this is what we are seeking to do,—to shoulder responsibility upon the individual, in order to secure the greatest good; and as we are considering not one, but all of the sources of college discipline, it may be stated, albeit with some caution, that a moderate amount of fealty

to the more harmless of class and college traditions is an absolute condition of the best and most permanent development of the class, and consequently of the constituency of the class as separate persons. Class feeling, rightly construed, is invaluable as an aid to the discipline of the student.

The habit of reflection is doubtless more surely induced during college life than at any other time. The undergraduate is brought face to face with the fact that his life work should begin at a definite time. He has already taken steps which preclude his drifting into an occupation, in the ordinary sense of the phrase. He may be undecided, but yet there is a latent purpose,—a pride of position, which tends to force him to the front instead of to the rear. Life to him is a more definite thing. In addition to this the class-room drill, the study-laden atmosphere, the frequent hours of leisure—everything—combines to bring to his attention the problems of life; and here, again, is true discipline.

I can close with no fitter words than these which were said in my hearing by a student in one of our New England colleges: "The college man, if he turns his attention at all to teaching, finds himself able to so concentrate his faculties as not only to teach subjects and points which he has never understood, but to teach them in such a manner as to gain the respect and confidence of his pupils. He may not have been aware of his dormant powers, yet he suddenly discovers that he is thoroughly equipped; and this, to

my mind, is the substantial result of a college education."

To which I would add my own firm conviction, that the college man has it in his power to succeed and to achieve.

REFLECTIONS ON RECENT LABOR TROUBLES.

BY FRANK C. THOMPSON, '94.

FOR several weeks the labor situation has been a common topic of conversation in our neighboring city, and within a few days our peaceful community seemed to be threatened with serious riot and all the attendant terrors of mob violence. But owing to prompt action of the civil authorities, seconded by executives of the labor unions, the apparently impending disaster has been averted, and the fair name of Auburn saved from further disgrace.

When such a state of affairs has been brought so sharply before the eye of the public one may do well to reflect on the causes which lead to the circumstances connected with such events.

Now, there seems to be a class of people so thoroughly biased in opinion, that they can see no real good in labor unions. They see in a labor union only a mob, for destruction to life and property. But, notwithstanding this, it is a very evident fact that all that has been done in this country for the betterment of the laboring class, has been accomplished either directly by, or through the influence of, labor unions. To be sure, however, labor unions have their defects, and indeed, very

serious ones; for instance, the strike and the boycott when improperly used, as they are very apt to be. True it is that every man has a right to cease working for another whom he has reason to believe wrongfully oppresses him, and he has a right to persuade, in a peaceable way, another from working under that same employer. But to use violence in any manner, either by language or otherwise, is manifestly wrong, both morally and, as it should be, legally.

While, also, employers have a right to combine, it holds true as well in their cases, that any united attempt on their part to gain undue advantage over their employes for the purpose of increasing their own gain, is morally wrong, and, if it is not so now, should be legally wrong. It is nothing more nor less than a conspiracy against the welfare of their brother-men, and ought to be punished as such.

As long as men have varying interests each will of course, to a certain extent, seek to have affairs turn to his own advantage. Just so will it be with associations of men. There will always of course be difficulties to be settled between contending parties. The ordinary result has been that the party making the greater resistance, or holding out the longer, wins. But a more proper way, and one which is coming more and more into use, is the method of arbitration. It is the way which nations are gradually learning to use. It is the only way consistent with modern civilization. It is the way which fair-minded men will use. It is the right way.

Poets' Corner.

ST. CECILIA.

From ancient legends was gleaned the thought
Whence painter and poet both have wrought
Her mission to portray.

Laurenstein, the artist, gives us her picture
fair,
Seated at the organ with a halo o'er her hair,
With inspired look she plays.

O'er the sunset landscape like a misty cover
The twilight settles, while the angels hover
In white-winged beauty near.

Heavenward turned is her holy face,
From it has flown of care all trace,
Her soul with the music sings.

From the painted legend comes an influence
rare,
To lift one from belittling deed into a purer air
By its silent ministry.

—N. G. W., '95.

WHICH?

A ghastly phantom hovered near
And touched the heart with chilly breath.
Its throbbings ceased. Unending night!
And men in anguish cried, "'Tis Death!"

A spirit clothed in radiant light
Bore a sick soul from toil and strife
To dwell with God. Eternal day!
And rapturous angels sang, "'Tis Life!"

—E. F. P., '94.

MEMORY.

With soundless step he cometh unaware,
The wizard Memory, and before my eyes
Holdeth his magic mirror, in whose depth
Behold! a vista'd scene so strangely fair,
So full of sweet enchantment, life, and light,
That all the untroubled present suddenly
Seemeth a shadow and a mockery cold.

Nay, hence, false wizard, vain are all thy
spells;

For thou hast pictured not forgotten ills
That cast a shadow o'er that sunny scene,
And made the past e'en as the present is;
Thy flawless picture is a golden lie;
Away;—but yet return some future year,

And mark if from the present round me now
Thy hand weave not a picture sweet as this.

—M. S. M., '91.

GOLDEN-ROD.

All the roses, daisies, lilies,
Shivered as they saw her face;
Clasped the hands of chilling autumn,
Bended low, and left the place.

But the stately golden princess
Stood unmoved before the sight,
Heeded not the wind's rough greeting,
Held her shining head upright.

I was passing by the wayside
And I saw her standing there;
I could but admire her courage,
Though she was not sweet nor fair;

And I stopped and asked her, saying,
"Tell me, golden princess, pray,
Why you, hard and unrelenting,
Watch the flowers pass away?"

"Why you come as death's drear symbol
When of summer we're bereaved,
Tell me, if you can remember,
Whence your name you have received?"

Proudly rose the stately princess;
Rose with royal, wondrous grace;
And she looked, with gaze unflinching,
Boldly, sadly in my face;

Then she whispered, "Ah, you wrong me.
No one sorrows more than I
At the death of beauteous summer,
For the flowers, as they die."

"Do I seem to you so hardened?
Am I cruel? Am I bold?
Yet I have undaunted courage,
And I have a heart of gold.

"Though I am of death a symbol,
Let me tell you, ere we part,
That I have the summer's sunshine
Folded warmly to my heart."

"And I come to teach this lesson
From the dusty wayside sod,
Though it seems so sad and dreary,
Death is but a *golden rod*."

—W. T., '96.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

Oh! we'll not sing for them any more,
Oh! we'll not sing for them any more,
For when we sang the best we could,
They said we *corded* like crooked wood;
Oh! we'll not sing for them any more.

"Down."

"Foul tackle there."

"Give that man five yards."

W. W. Harris, '94, attended the Free Baptist Association at Saco.

S. I. Graves, '94, attended the Universalist Sunday-school convention at Bangor.

In addition to the usual music at chapel, A. L. Sampson, '97, plays the clarionet.

N. R. Smith, '95, who is teaching at Bowdoinham, was at the college for a short time early in the month.

Before the foot-ball game with Colby the board fence on the back of the ball ground was put in thorough repair.

E. W. Small, '93, principal of Monmouth Academy, was at the college for a short time Saturday, October 7th.

W. W. Woodman, '90, who is now studying law at Harvard, recently visited his brother, J. C. Woodman, '94.

Miss Stewart, '95, is teaching in Anson Academy, at North Anson, Me., substituting for Mrs. Irving, who is sick.

Miss Alma G. Bailey, '93, who is assistant at Monson Academy, called at the college recently while on a visit to her mother.

Professor Porter H. Dale is coaching the Freshmen on their declamations. There will be five divisions, including the prize division.

C. C. Brackett, '94, has been elected captain of the foot-ball team, and Dutton, '95, has been elected to assist Manager Small, '94.

Rev. G. H. Hamlin, '90, assisted at chapel exercises one morning recently. He and Mrs. Hamlin expect to sail for India on November 4th.

The College Club has had a Bates pin designed. It is of sterling silver in the shape of a pennant, with the word Bates in a garnet field.

A co-ed was heard to remark the other day: "I think the boys look ever so much better in long hair." Here is the chance of a life-time for some foot-ball man.

W. B. Cutts, '91, Professor of Physics and Chemistry at Haverford College, near Philadelphia, visited his brother, O. F. Cutts, '96, for a few days while on his way South.

Tuesday evening, September 19th, Mr. L. H. Roots, traveling secretary of the College Y. M. C. A., addressed the students on the intercollegiate Y. M. C. A. work, with special reference to the work in the West.

Hamilton, who will complete his course with '95, made quite a record last year in the teaching line. He taught four terms of school, aggregating thirty-nine weeks, within the limits

of one school year. Two of the terms were at New Portland; the other two were at Chebeague.

The Eurosophian Society held a musical meeting, Friday evening, October 13th. Nearly every part had special reference to the subject of music.

Extensive plans are being made for improvements in the Physical Laboratory. There is already quite a fund raised by the alumni for this purpose, and whatever more may be given will be profitably expended.

Class instruction will not be given in Elocution this term as was expected. Professor Dale will give each class some lectures preparatory to class work next term. Meanwhile he will publish a text-book on Elocution which, already, he has nearly completed.

Since our last issue there have been two additions to the Freshman class, Mr. Frank H. Billington, from Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass., and Miss Stella James, from Storer College, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.

Every class is represented at the World's Fair. The recent departures are L. J. Brackett, '94; J. W. Leathers, '94; A. H. Miller, '94; W. W. Bolster, '95; F. S. Wakefield, '95; W. P. Hamilton, '95; O. C. Boothby, '96, and C. E. Milliken, '97.

Rev. G. M. Howe, pastor of the Congregational church, Lewiston, addressed the students Wednesday evening, October 11th, on "The Importance of Decision." The great number of practical truths presented will long be remembered.

We wish to mention the fact that the subscriptions for the *STUDENT* are now due. Do not wait for the Manager to call on each one separately, but hand him your dollar. The Freshman subscription for the remainder of the year is only forty cents.

Since our last issue the executive committee have added two fine oil paintings to the other improvements in the Polymnian Society room. One is an autumn scene by F. Brissot; the other is a winter scene by N. Kreutzet. Critics pronounce them both fine productions of art.

The following represented the Bates Y. M. C. A. at the convention in Auburn, September 28-30: Graves, '94; Marsh, '94; Page, '94; Pierce, '94; Campbell, '95; Hamilton, '95; Knapp, '95; Pease, '95; Coy, '96; Cutts, '96; Fairfield, '96; Lord, '96; Norton, '96; Purinton, '96; Skillings, '97, and Parker, '97.

President and Mrs. Cheney tendered a reception to both the Sophomore and Freshman classes at their residence, Thursday evening, September 29th. The lion and the lamb played games, made candy, and participated of the refreshments, with such a high degree of peace that a stranger would never have known but they were all lambs. Verily the millennium is approaching.

A new feature of Christian work has been put in operation this term. It is a class in Bible study, meeting every Wednesday evening directly after the union meeting of the Christian associations. Professor Anthony of the Divinity School has charge of the work.

At present they are studying the life of Christ as portrayed in the Greek testament. The class is quite large, and all appear to take great interest in the work.

The Sophomores have adopted a plan entirely new in college life. Instead of performing the long accustomed "Sophomoric duties," Monday evening, October 16th, they gave the Freshmen a reception, feeding them intellectually. Music was furnished by a male quartette—Coy, Parsons, Gerish, and Fairfield; Address of Welcome, Miss Mason; Response, Marr, '97; Declamation, Cutts; Poem, Tibbetts; African song, Clinton.

The Sophomore-Freshman ball game occurred Saturday afternoon, September 23d. This is a trying ordeal to the new-comers; while they may be excellent ball players, yet under the cross-firing and good-natured bantering they invariably get somewhat rattled. This year the old custom of sharp hits and witty paradigms gave way to the deafening monotony of cow-bells and tin horns. The batteries were Berryman and Gerrish for '96 and Slattery and Burrill for '97. Umpire, T. J. Kelley of Lewiston. The Sophomores won in a score of 15 to 3.

Each of the classes have had an afternoon off for their usual fall outing. The Freshmen and Sophomores went to Lake Grove, and again mingled in that peaceful way that surprises us all. The afternoon was spent in rambling about the grove, boating, and climbing Mount Gile. The Juniors on the same afternoon went for a walk with no par-

ticular objective point in view. The start was via Russell Street and Eastern Avenue, thence across lots to the Windsor Mineral Spring, and back to town by whichever way that pleased the individual. The Senior class took their outing a week later, going in the barge Fairview to Lisbon. The supply of fruit, the well-laden basket of one of the young ladies, the stories and the songs all contributed to make the ride down seem only too short. After lunch a short time was spent in "doing the city," whereby two of the company got—(lost?) However, none were left behind, and the return was made in season to witness a game of foot-ball.

The *Woodstock* (N. B.) *Press*, in reporting the opening at that place of the new African Methodist Episcopal Church, spoke very highly of an address made by Mr. Freeman, '96, on "The Past and Future of the Negro." We take pleasure in presenting in full that part of the report pertaining to his address:

In the evening Mr. Freeman, student from one of the leading universities of the United States, gave a very interesting address on the past and future of the negro, concluding with some common-sense remarks to his brethren how they might rise to the level of the white man. Mr. Freeman handled his subject as one who knew whereof he spoke, laying down, as a basis of all greatness, morality, education, wealth, and religion.

The Sophomores appropriately celebrated their base-ball victory on the evening after their game by a jubilee in Golden Cross Hall. Although they were hoarse and tired, yet the sophomoric spirit was thoroughly alive. The first part of the evening was spent in a

social way, after which a short programme was carried out:

Prayer.	Class Chaplain.
Vocal Solo.	Miss Hunt.
Declamation.	Coy.
Vocal Solo.	Miss Bryant.
Speech.	President Thomas.
Duet.	Kavanaugh and Howard.
Recitation.	Miss Bonney.
Speech.	Manager Thompson.

Refreshments were then served by Caterer Grant, after which Toast-master Douglass called for the following toasts: "The Ball Game," Cutts; "'Ninety-seven," Boothby; "The Ladies," Clinton; "The Faculty," Miss Dolley. The evening's merriment closed with appropriate cantations.

Wednesday evening, Oct. 11th, the Junior class went to Bowdoin Center, going to Lisbon Falls by train and from there in a barge. C. S. Webb of that class, who is teaching there, met them at the Grange Hall, where a beautiful spread was in readiness. The evening was spent in games and music, and the return made to Lisbon Falls in season for the night Pullman.

Few realize the difficulty of keeping, in a classical college, a military band, a difficulty that is well shown from the fact that Bates has the only one in the state and one of the very few in America. At the opening of the term when Dutton, '95, resumed the directorship, there were only eight pieces, while at the present time there are twenty-five. Thirteen members of the band had never played an instrument before this term, but they are doing remarkably well. We wish to remind those students that have charge of the arrangement of the public exercises of

their class or division, that we should encourage home undertakings, bearing in mind that whatever the band earns does not go to the individuals, but to the general fund for music and a few incidental expenses.

ATHLETICS.

Our foot-ball team won a game with the Westbrook eleven, Wednesday, October 18th; score, 54 to 0. There was no slugging whatever, and good judges spoke very highly of the scientific way in which the Bates blocked and interfered. Bates made twelve touchdowns, but kicked the goal only three times. Small, '94, made five touchdowns, generally running the whole length of the field. Brackett, '94, made two touchdowns by bucking the centre. Douglass, '96, made four touchdowns and Purington, '96, made one touchdown. When the latter made his touchdown the Westbrooks played the place kick; Cutts jumped and struck the ball; Purington, making a safe catch, dashed across the field far ahead of his pursuers.

The first regular Rugby game of foot-ball ever played in Lewiston occurred between the Bates and Colby elevens on the college grounds Wednesday afternoon, October 4th. The latter won in the close score of 4 to 0. It was an excellent game. Neither side participated in any unnecessary rough playing. During the game Bates lost fifteen yards by what the local press called "undeserved decisions of Umpire Parsons." It was noticeable that there were no such decisions against Colby,

especially when Douglass was tackled foul and the ball taken from him. Owing to the lack of practice of both teams only twenty-minute halves were played. It is impossible for us to mention all of the good plays, but the excellent rushes of Bolster and Douglass are surely noteworthy, as is also the two successive long runs made by Bolster and the grand rushes of C. C. Brackett. The attendance was very good indeed, showing that the sporting populace are thoroughly interested in the game. The Bates team are greatly encouraged by the results of the game, feeling confident that with a little more practice they can put up a scientific game. Directly after the game the eleven went to Fassett & Bassett's and had a large group picture taken.

The interest in tennis has in no way suffered on account of the increasing interest in other college sports. The annual tournament has had a good many hindrances on account of the weather, but the interest and attendance has been good throughout. The usual time was granted by the Faculty, but the second day was rainy and the remainder of the matches were postponed one week. The tournament was continued the next Friday, but every Saturday since has been stormy. The matches were finished Wednesday afternoon, October 18th.

SINGLES.

Preliminaries.

Stanley, '97, vs. Page, '94,	6-3 8-6
Hamilton, '95, vs. Thompson, '94,	6-0 6-1
Boothby, '96, vs. Field, '94,	6-0 6-2
Gerrish, '96, vs. Wright, '97,	default.
Hayes, '95, vs. Tobien, '97,	6-4 6-4

First Round.

Norton, '96, vs. Thompson, '96,	6-4 6-2
Hilton, '96, vs. Berryman, '96,	default.
Stanley, '97, vs. Gilman, '97,	6-4 6-0
Boothby, '96, vs. Hamilton, '95,	6-1 6-2
Hayes, '95, vs. Gerrish, '96,	default.
Pettigrew, '95, vs. Brackett, '94,	6-2 6-3
Wakefield, '95, vs. Milliken, '97,	6-0 6-0
Campbell, '95, vs. Hutchins, '95,	6-1 6-0

Second Round.

Hilton, '96, vs. Norton, '96,	6-1 6-2
Pettigrew, '95, vs. Hayes, '96,	6-4 6-1
Wakefield, '95, vs. Campbell, '95,	6-0 6-1

Finals.

Pettigrew, '95, vs. Wakefield, '95,	default.
Pettigrew, '95, vs. Hilton, '96,	6-0 6-3

DOUBLES.

Preliminaries.

Knapp, '95, } vs. Coy, '96, }	6-2 6-1
Wingate, '95, } vs. Wright, '97, }	
Hilton, '96, } vs. Douglass, '96, }	6-2 6-1
Gerrish, '96, } vs. Thompson, '96, }	
Norton, '96, } vs. Tobien, '97, }	default.
Stanley, '97, } vs. Milliken, '97, }	

First Round.

Field, '94, } vs. Page, '94, }	2-6 6-3
Hamilton, '95, } vs. Woodman, '94, }	6-3
Stanley, '97, } vs. Hutchins, '95, }	6-3 6-2
Norton, '96, } vs. Files, '95, }	
Hilton, '96, } vs. Knapp, '95, }	6-0 6-2
Gerrish, '96, } vs. Wingate, '95, }	
Pettigrew, '95, } vs. Roberts, '96, }	6-1 6-0
Campbell, '95, } vs. Burrill, '97, }	

Second Round.

Hilton, '96, } vs. Field, '94, }	6-4 6-1
Gerrish, '96, } vs. Hamilton, '95, }	
Campbell, '95, } vs. Norton, '96, }	6-1 6-1
Pettigrew, '95, } vs. Stanley, '97, }	

Finals.

Hilton, '96, } vs. Pettigrew, '95, }	8-6 6-3 3-6
Gerrish, '96, } vs. Campbell, '95, }	1-6 6-3

Interest in foot-ball has grown steadily since the opening of the term. A. W. Small, '94, was early elected manager, and through his persistent efforts suitable suits were at once procured. Dutton, '95, has since been elected to assist Manager Small, and everything has moved steadily forward. There are now two teams organized, known as the first and second elevens. They line up every night after recitations,

and practice for about an hour. Both teams play vigorously, and improvement in team work and effectual blocking is particularly noticeable with each night's practice. The players on the second team are changed about quite frequently in order to develop them into all-round players, and also to find for what position a man is best fitted. In this manner when a substitute is needed on the first team there is no difficulty in selecting the man adapted to fill the particular place. At the beginning of the term Howard Beals coached the team till he went to the Harvard Medical School. Garcelon, '90, and Wilson, '92, have been at the college for a short time criticising and giving points in the game. Dr. G. L. Crockett, Latin School, '90, has coached the team the most, gladly giving all the time that he can spare from his practice. He was center on the Boston University team during his course there, and is thoroughly acquainted with the game. The team is greatly indebted to him for his efficient instruction, and to him is due much of the honor of its success. The personnel of the team is as follows: C. C. Brackett, '94, captain and fullback, is a man well adapted to his position. He is a good punter and never bucks the center without a good gain. A. W. Small, besides ably attending to the duties of manager, plays left halfback. He is a heavy man, but a swift runner and a good line-breaker. H. L. Douglass, '96, right halfback, is probably the swiftest runner on the team. Although a small man, yet by good judgment and quick dodging he is seldom downed

before he has advanced several yards. J. C. Woodman, '94, quarterback, has had the most experience of any of the team. He is the lightest man, but passes the ball with great speed and accuracy. W. S. Brown, '95, centre, has become a first-class snapper-back, and leads the wedge with praiseworthy courage and not without good results. O. F. Cutts, '96, right guard, is a heavy man, a good holder, and invariably breaks through the opposing line. J. B. Coy, '96, left guard, is a strong man and plays close to the centre. The opposing runners break through this point with difficulty. O. E. Hanscom, '96, right tackle, a strong and heavy man, has quickly learned many excellent tricks of his position. E. I. Hanscom, '96, left tackle, like his brother, has learned the game this term. It would be difficult to find a better man for this position. D. F. Field, '94, right end, holds his man well and runs as an interferer with good judgment. L. G. Purinton, '96, left end, starts quick and tackles well the holder of the ball. L. J. Brackett, '94, played quarterback, and W. W. Bolster, Jr., '95, played halfback in the game with Colby. They are both good players, but have been absent some little time. There are several men on the second eleven that can be played as substitutes with little detriment.

COLLEGE CLUB.

AT THE annual meeting of the College Club in June, A. P. Irving, '93, and W. H. Judkins, '80, were elected to membership. The club has now twenty-eight members.

A new cup will be presented to the Athletic Association by the club, to be contested for by the classes on Field Day. A trophy will be offered to the school scoring the most points in the Androscoggin interscholastic sports. The following prizes are offered for the Bates Field Day,—a five-dollar medal to each of the following:

- 1.—The Freshman winning the most points, provided he wins 6 on the basis of 5-3-1.
- 2.—The winner making 5 feet 6 inches in the high jump.
- 3.—The winner making the half-mile record 2m. 10s., or better.
- 4.—The winner making the mile in 4.50 or better.

The above prizes are offered on condition that the Association adopts substantially the New England intercollegiate list of events.

The club also appropriated twenty dollars for books for the physical laboratory. A sum was set aside to be used by a committee in carrying on a course of lectures for the students during the next winter. The committee is I. N. Cox, '89, E. W. Emery, '92, and Professor Jordan.

There are four applications for membership in the club to be acted upon at the next annual meeting. The officers for the next year are: President, F. W. Plummer, '91; Vice-President, N. W. Howard, '92; Secretary, W. F. Garcelon, '90; Treasurer, F. W. Larrabee, '91. Applications for membership should be sent to the Secretary, 381 Harvard Street, Cambridge, Mass.

COBB DIVINITY SCHOOL.

Some of the classes were suspended during the past week to give the students an opportunity to attend the sessions of the Sunday-school convention, held in Auburn.

A committee has been appointed by the students to consider the matter of sending a delegate to the convention of the New England Seminary students, which is to be held at New Haven, October 25th and 26th.

The students recently enjoyed a very pleasing and instructive talk in the chapel; subject—"Manner of Procedure in our Courts," given by A. W. Allen, LL.D., of Providence, R. I., who was a former classmate of Professor Anthony in Brown University.

'72.—Rev. Arthur Given, D.D., Bates, '67, who has been attending the Free Baptist anniversary at Buffalo, is now at the World's Fair.

'77.—Rev. Thos. Spooner, Bates, '74, who was the first business manager of the STUDENT, gave an address at the anniversary in Buffalo last week.

'85.—Rev. C. E. Mason, Bates, '82, is settled over a Congregational church in the beautiful city of Buena Vista, Col.

'85.—Professor A. W. Anthony delivered a very enjoyable and scholarly address, at the convention of Maine State Sunday-school Association, held at the Auburn Free Baptist church, October 11th: Subject: "Intellectual Processes for Spiritual Gains in Bible Study."

'85.—Rev. A. E. Cox has been

appointed correspondent of Maine Free Baptist Association.

'85.—Rev. O. H. Tracy was installed as pastor of Summersworth Free Baptist church, N. H., October 6th, Professor A. W. Anthony preaching the installation sermon. The following is the programme of the service: Reading of Scriptures by Rev. R. E. Gilkey, '81; Installation Prayer, Rev. W. W. Hayden, '81; Charge to Pastor, Rev. T. W. Sanford, '86; Charge to Church, H. C. Lowden; Right Hand of Fellowship, Lewis Dexter.

'87.—Rev. George Griffith has resigned his pastorate at Richmond, Me.

'90.—Rev. George Southwick has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Free Baptist church at Kingfield, Me.

'92.—Rev. E. W. Churchill has resigned his pastorate at Oakland, and will now devote his entire time to the Fairfield church, which has new courage under his efficient labors.

'93.—Rev. H. E. Wyman is now at his home, at Loudon, N. H., preparing for his sail to India, October 4th, where he is to labor as missionary.

'93.—Rev. L. Williams called at the Divinity School, October 11th, having attended the Sunday-school convention in Auburn.

'93.—Rev. G. H. Hamlin and wife spent a few days in town last week, saying good-bye to many friends. They sail for their mission field, India, October 4th, where they are to have charge of the Ballasore high school. Mr. Hamlin addressed the students in the chapel on Tuesday morning, and in the evening a "farewell meeting" was tendered them at the Main Street F. B. Church. The meeting, though held on the eve of a long separation, was characterized by a cheerful spirit, which for the most part was due to the joy with which they look forward to their missionary life. Remarks were made by Mr. F. W. Chase, President of A. C. F. Society, Dr. Summerbell, Professor Howe, and others. We wish them God-speed in their new work.

'95.—Mr. Mayo continues his work at Marston's Corner. He reports an increase of interest in the meetings.

Alumni Department.

PERSONALS.

'72.—Rev. F. W. Baldwin, D.D., pastor of Trinity Congregational Church, East Orange, N. J., dedicated October 8th the beautiful church erected by his society this year.

'75.—Hon. A. M. Spear has been engaged on the defense in a murder case lately on trial in Kennebec County lasting twelve days.

'76.—Rev. Thomas H. Stacy has accepted the pastorate of the Saco Free Baptist church, and has begun his labors in that city.

'77.—N. P. Noble of Phillips has a son, born September 23d.

'80.—At the meeting of the Androscoggin County Teachers' Association at Mechanic Falls, September 29th, Mrs. Eliza Hackett Leland, supervisor

of schools of Minot, read a paper relating to the duties of the school supervisor.

'81.—F. H. Wilbur, principal of Camden grammar school, has recently buried his younger daughter.

'81.—At the State convention of the Maine Epworth League in Auburn, Rev. H. E. Foss of Bangor spoke on "The Social Side of the Epworth League."

'83.—C. E. Sargent has established the McDonald Collegiate Institute in Milwaukee, and has issued a pamphlet exhibiting certain methods of education, which he proposes to exemplify in his school.

'84.—Miss E. L. Knowles, Assistant District Attorney of Montana, is the subject of a very complimentary article in the *Washington Post*. She has visited Washington recently in the interest of the State of Montana, and is dealing with a matter in which \$250,000 is involved. The *Post* gives a sketch of her life, including a very pleasant reference to the college.

'85.—Rev. E. B. Stiles and wife arrived in Boston, Sunday, October 1st, after an absence of five years in India. Mrs. Stiles's health is much impaired by malaria, and she is in a hospital in Boston.

'86.—Professor W. H. Hartshorn was a lecturer and instructor at the recent meeting of the Somerset County Teachers' Association at Pittsfield.

'86.—E. A. Merrill, Esq., is enjoying a flourishing law practice at 540 Temple Court, Minneapolis, Minn.

'87.—Rev. Jesse Bailey has returned from his sojourn in the South with

renewed health and has resumed his pastorate at Watertown, N. Y.

'87.—F. W. Chase is president of the Androscoggin Teachers' Association, and R. J. Everett, '76, vice-president.

'88.—H. W. Hopkins has been in town recently in the interest of D. Lothrop & Co.

'90.—H. V. Neal received honorable mention in Natural History at Harvard, last year. He is an assistant in one of the zoology classes.

'91.—P. P. Beal was married September 16th to Miss Nettie L. Brown of Farmington.

'92.—W. B. Skelton was admitted to the bar at the recent term of the S. J. Court in Auburn.

'92.—L. M. Sanborn is again sub-master of the Gardiner High School at an increased salary.

'92.—Miss A. V. Stevens has left Lewiston for New Haven, Conn., where she will take courses in literature and history in the graduate department at Yale.

At DePauw University any member of an athletic team using improper language, or conducting himself in public in a manner unbecoming a gentleman, or playing under an assumed name, forfeits his membership on the team.

Oberlin was the first college in the world to admit women on the same plane as men, and opened its doors to the negroes twenty-eight years before their emancipation.—*Ex.*

College Exchanges.

SLOWLY the month's exchanges come to our table, some indeed clad in new apparel, but all of them the same old friends. And they are very welcome. There is a certain pleasure in keeping in touch with other colleges, in learning of their plans and undertakings and improvements, which renders the work of the exchange editor particularly agreeable. There is a feeling of fellowship with other educational institutions and with the great mass of the student body, which can be obtained in no other way.

Now while the college paper is ever of interest, it is especially interesting at this particular time of year. The long vacation has wrought many changes, presumably for the better; a new class enters with its mishaps and possibilities; base-ball has ceased to exercise its mighty sway, but foot-ball is abroad in all its glory. These things the college paper notes, and to the student they are very readable.

But while the papers of the month are full of that which interests and entertains, it must be said that from a literary point of view they are somewhat below the average. Some of the publications devoted especially to literary work, such as the *Harvard Monthly* and the *Nassau Lit*, are not as yet at hand, but the less pretentious magazines show the effects of a many weeks' cessation from literary work. Even the *Brunonian*, that brightest of college papers, seems to be a trifle forced and to have lost a little of its sparkle.

In opposition to the general rule, however, stands forth the *Dartmouth Lit*. Certainly its editors deserve great credit for so excellent a production. Its simple dress of green and white is very tasty and more than justifies the change. The contents, too, both prose and verse, are good. A feature of the alumni department for the year will be a series of articles on the war records of the different classes. In this way it is hoped to acquire a complete record of the college in its connection with the late war.

To one who desires to keep in touch with the college world perhaps no single publication is of greater value than the *University Review*. It treats of college life and work in all its phases. It briefly notes the changes and improvements and other points of interest in all the higher educational institutions throughout the world. It is well illustrated and attractive.

The following from the *Columbia Spectator* shows in all its blackness the innate depravity of the student mind:

WON THE POT.

That little hand!

I hold it firm in mine
And scan its outlines fine.

My eyes expand,
And grow with love intense and strong;
I gaze upon it fond and long,

That little hand!

That little hand!

It is so smooth, so pure and white,
And covered o'er with diamonds quite,
In beauty grand.

Oh, how I love it! See me press
It to my lips in fond caress,
That little hand!

That little hand!
 There are no others fair as you!
 I lay you down, and gladly, too,
 With manner bland.

It was a diamond flush and straight!
 Soon may I hold its charming mate!
 That little hand!

College Notes.

Plans are on foot at Williams for a college infirmary.

Leland Stanford, Jr., University has an enrollment of almost 800 students.

Of the 900 men who took examinations for Yale this year only 300 were admitted.

Franklin and Marshall College is erecting a \$60,000 recitation hall.

Nineteen new electives have been added to the curriculum at Yale.

The United States has 430 colleges, with over 120,000 students.

Two men have been expelled by the students of Vanderbilt University for cheating in examinations.

The University of Pennsylvania and Harvard have agreed to meet on the foot-ball field for two successive years.

Magazine Notices.

THE HISTORICAL PILGRIMAGE.

A New Idea in Pedagogics.

THE *Review of Reviews* (New York) comes forward in its October number with a second startling innovation in educational projects, as fresh as, and still more unconventional than, the Gouin system of language-learning, which it championed last year. Two articles explain the history and *raison d'être* of the Historical Pilgrimage, and tell of the revival of this pleasant institution in England and America, with a most alluring programme for the 1894 Pilgrimages. In England, Mr. Stead, the English editor of the *Review of Reviews*, is going to personally conduct a party of Pilgrims to the many points of absorbing historical

interest which a two weeks' jaunt, from London as a center, will allow. The most eminent men in England will be of the party, and will address it at the famous stopping places. Think of going with Archdeacon Farrar to Westminster and hearing his words on the historical significance of that venerable pile! A. Conan Doyle, the novelist, Canon Fremantle and other celebrities will make speeches at *rendezvous* where they are especially appropriate. But while England perhaps has much more history and tradition to the acre than our new world, the schedule of the American Pilgrims seems scarcely less charming. They will leave Philadelphia and spend some weeks in finding such historical sites as Boston and New York and Long Island

and the Hudson can afford. The itinerary embraces, very happily, visits to such institutions as the Century Company's great establishment in New York, the extensive Midvale Steel Works, and the Cramp Shipyard. In their own particular fields such men as Richard Watson Gilder, Thomas Wentworth Higginson, Professor John Fiske, President E. Benjamin Andrews, William Lloyd Garrison, and Thomas Janvier, will join the excursionists and make speeches. One of the most charming features of these jaunts will be the spirit of *camaraderie* which will pervade the students and teachers and great men alike who make up the party. Every earnest student will be welcomed, and an additional pleasant consideration is that there is no money in it for anybody.

Outing for October is full of seasonable, healthful, outdoor sport and pastime. The stout apostle of pure hearts, clean minds, and honest muscle for human kind has deservedly attained a proud position among monthly publications. The illustrations are numerous and beautiful. The following may be of interest to Bates students:

The main interest in the tactics of foot-ball in the coming season centres about the Deland tricks, in which Harvard supporters place such trust. Of these, the now celebrated flying wedge is the only one that is generally understood. In the tackle wedge, and the one or two nameless tricks that were publicly attempted last fall, the players were so closely bunched that it was impossible to make out their working exactly. The use of the tricks was sparing, moreover, because, though they had succeeded repeatedly when tried by the Harvard team against its second eleven, and even in some cases when tried by the second against the first eleven, it was feared that they could not be

safely worked against Yale. This year their reputation is established. Mr. Deland is known to have tabulated over sixty plays, each with its counterplay; and he has already spent much time in teaching them to the Harvard eleven, so that the present season will doubtless prove as dramatic in its surprises as the past.

Education for October more than maintains the high reputation of that magazine. It is almost invaluable to persons interested in educational work, whether students or teachers. Its table of contents is varied and contains no article that is not of special value and directed toward some definite end. Bates students will do well to read "The Study of Pedagogics," by Thomas M. Balliet. They will also be especially interested in "How Home and School Help or Hinder Each Other," by William M. Thayer.

The complete novel in the October number of *Lippincott's* is "The Hepburn Line," by Mrs. Mary J. Holmes. It is a pleasing tale of an old Kentucky family and a neglected heroine who comes to her own at last. "Two Belligerent Southrons," by Florence Waller, tells of the bloodless duel between Clay and Randolph, and includes documents never before printed. It is accompanied by portraits, as are also Virginia Butler's account of "An Hour at Sir Frederick Leighton's," and the pair of professional articles, "Necromancy Unveiled" and "Confessions of an Assistant Magician," by Prof. and Mme. A. Herrmann. "Running the Blockade," by Emma Henry Ferguson, is an interesting account of a lady's experience on what was perhaps the last vessel to escape from Wilmington to Bermuda.



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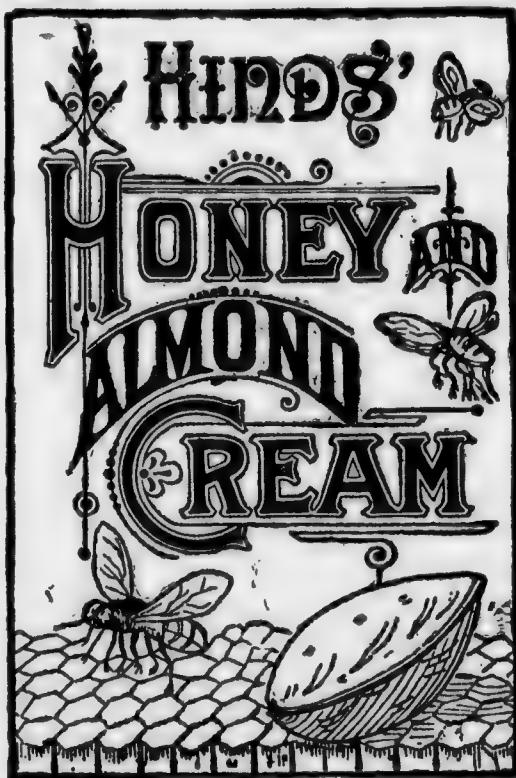
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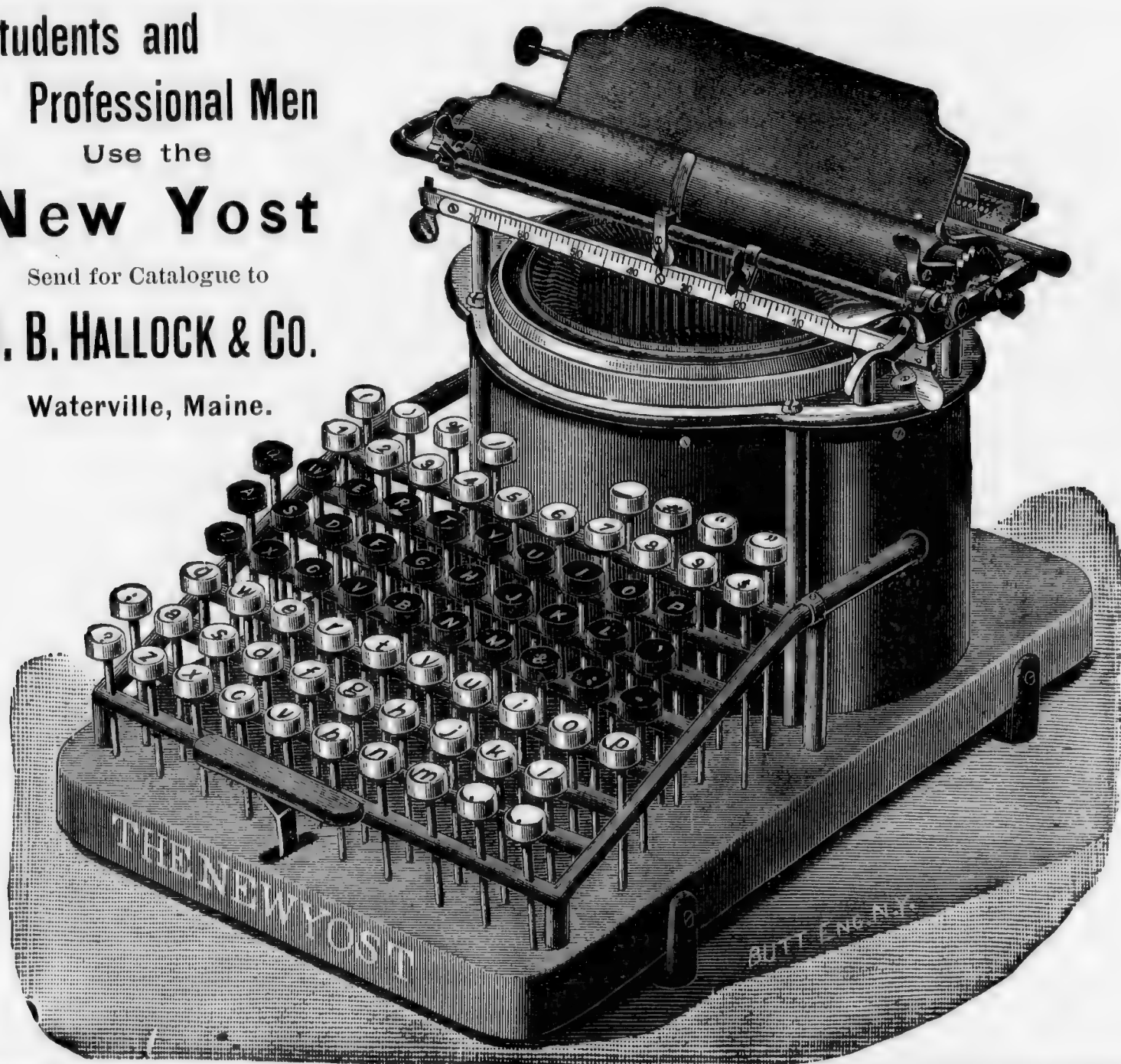
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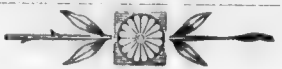
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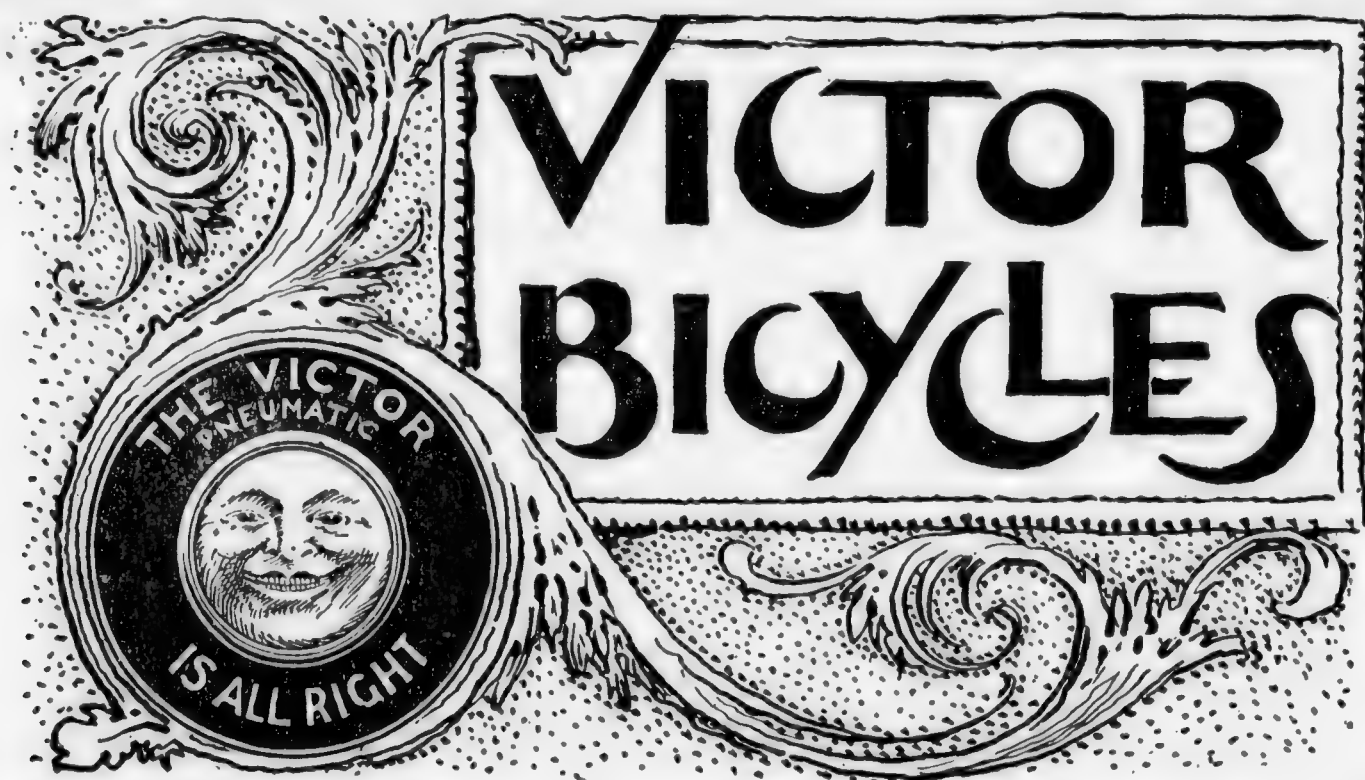
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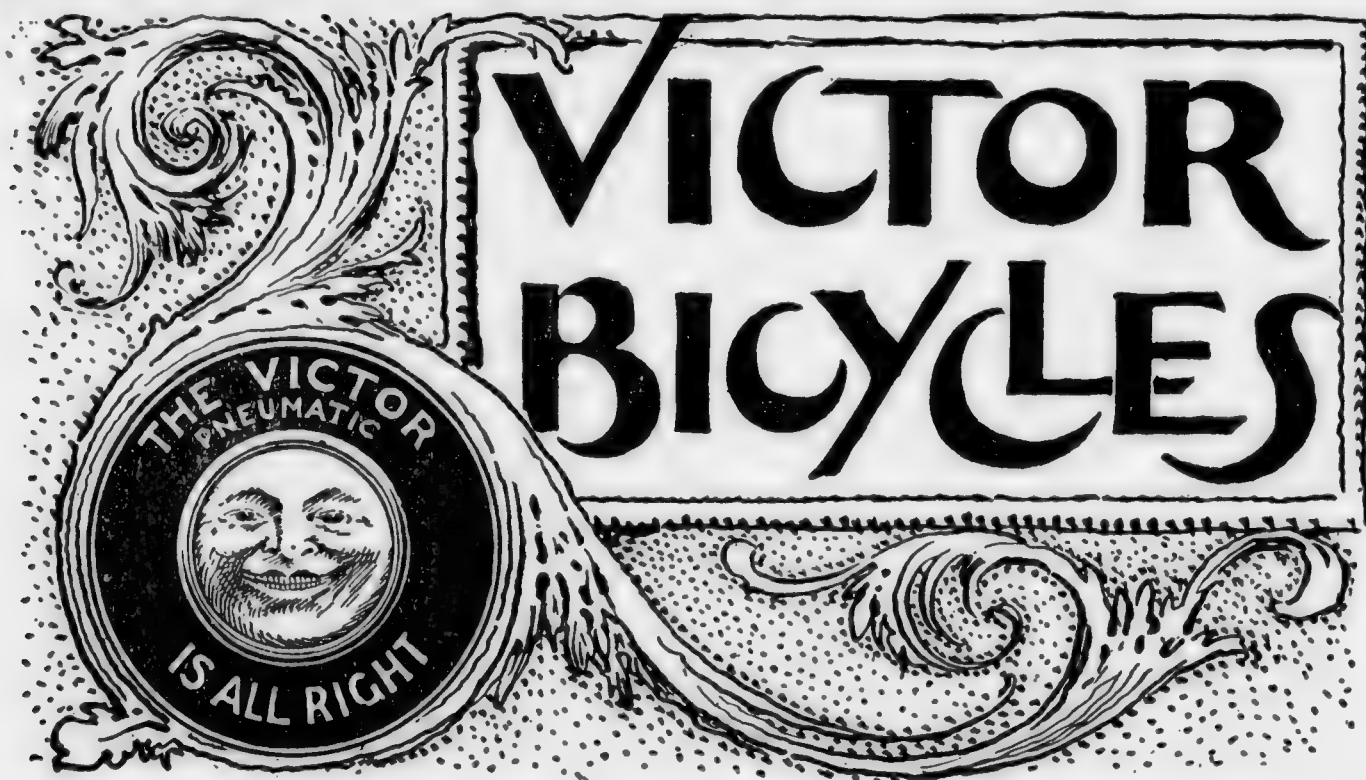
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would give more for the mental equipment of a person who knows one subject well than for his who has a smattering of several. Certainly the former would excel in mental discipline. And with all respect for those who entertain a different opinion, we would advise the student to aim not at a broad reading, but at a thorough one. Helvetius says: "Few men have the courage to remain ignorant of an infinite number of useless things." But this is the price of greatness. Whether you are in the domain of history, science or literature, select a narrow field and till it well.

EXAMINATIONS are upon us with all their terror. Even the faithful are filled with anxious doubts. Naturally, then, the old question arises as to the advisability of devoting so many evenings to public exercises at a time when we all feel the need of a little "plugging." Of course every one desires to attend the exercises, and that is as it should be. But to employ so many evenings for this purpose just at this particular time is exceedingly inconvenient for the larger part of the students. It seems necessary, it is true, that the declamations and debates come nearly together. This cannot well be avoided. But could not arrangement be made whereby they should come a little earlier in the term? Two weeks even would be a marked improvement in this respect. For the students would then feel freer to devote the required time to their fellow-students, and there would still be opportunity for a little needed study imme-

diately before the tests. Cannot something be done in this line? We are sure that it must meet the approval of nearly all the students.

THE pessimist has lived in all ages and in all lands. He lives in the United States to-day. We are continually meeting people who preach the depravity of the race. They deplore the evils of the present and long for the "good old times" to return. In politics, especially, this class find material with which to feed their morbid appetites.

Such should learn a lesson from the recent elections. In several of the states corruption was at the head of affairs or was attempting to obtain control. In nearly every instance, the will of the people has overstepped party prejudice and has declared for clean government. Let an evil be shown in its true light, and the inherent wisdom of the American people will always assert itself.

We are so enthusiastic in business and so eager after material wealth that we seem to forget the important duties that we owe the state; *but we do not forget*. The very fact that we are materialistic compels us to preserve the purity of our institutions. So long as we are accumulating we are safe as a nation. When we, as a people, cease to produce, to accumulate, our destruction is at hand. The pessimist should learn a lesson from the events of the past few weeks and should enforce that lesson with the teachings of history. The man who reads history as it is, and not as he

would like to have it, cannot fail to see that every step is a step in advance.

THERE is a common saying, cherished because it seems to embody an inherent right of a free people, that every one has a right to his own opinion.

If this is true, as we believe it is, every one, both for his own sake and for the sake of others within his influence, ought to make sure that the opinion which he holds and for which he alone is responsible, is the correct one. Yet there are people, and their number is not small, who boast their right to their own opinions and seem to mean that any ideas which come into their heads, whether sustained by reason and logic or prompted by fancy or form of prejudice, are by this means dignified to a position worthy of respect. No one would deny a man's right to his honest opinions, for the mere fact of his having candidly examined a subject sufficiently to form an opinion is an encouragement to others to do the same.

But when a man holds an idea which comes from mere prejudice and has no foundation in reason, and uses his influence to further that idea, he proves false to himself and to those about him. So while it is true that "every one has a right to his own opinions," it is equally true that no one has a right to his prejudices, and that no one who is ruled by prejudice can have a real opinion of his own.

THE STUDENT congratulates the members of the class of '97 who have already begun active society

work. Rightly entered into it is a source of both pleasure and profit. In it you will enjoy the glow of competition and enthusiasm which make athletic contests so fascinating, and at the same time realize a broadening field of thought and an increasing love of knowledge usually cultured in the recitation room. In short, the society work embodies the best and most practical characteristics of both the athletic field and the class room. So we exhort any who have not done so to take up the work at once. No alumnus was ever heard to regret attention given to this department. Hundreds have regretted its neglect and as many more have regretted over-attention given to athletics or studies—one at the expense of the other. You may be inexperienced and fear that your inefficiency will bore your hearers; but now is the time and here is the place to gain the experience and the efficiency. Your fellow-students will be considerate. How humble the beginning of the world's greatest orators! The societies now offer to benefit you. You can benefit them later.

THE time draws near when a large portion of the students of Bates will, to speak metaphorically, doff the student's gown and take their places as teachers of the young idea. No one should undertake to fill the place of instructor, however small or seemingly unimportant the school may be, without realizing to the fullest extent the responsibility laid upon him. Of course the moral influence which is to guide the youth of our country must emanate

largely from the home. The influence that pervades the atmosphere of the school-room, however, should second, not oppose, the healthy influence of the home circle. But the moral side of the teacher's responsibility is by no means the only one. Many of those who are under his instruction for the time may be spending the last days they will ever spend in the school-room, and while the amount of benefit they are to derive from these winter days must rest largely with themselves,

no little degree of responsibility is laid upon their instructor to see that their time is spent in that way which will be most profitable to their after lives. When going into a community, then, to fulfill the important trust that has been placed in your hands, resolve to be true to your highest ideals, loyal to your *Alma Mater*, and to work earnestly for the best good of the young minds which you are to guide, for the time, in the paths of knowledge.

Literary.

SKETCHES FROM CHAUCER'S CANTERBURY TALES.

Criticism of Introduction of the Prologue.

By H. M. C., '94.

IN the first forty-three lines of the Prologue, Chaucer aims to describe the circumstances which brought a company of thirty people together at an inn in Southwerk, ready to set out on a pilgrimage to Canterbury. To lead us in mind to the Tabard and to introduce us to the company and to do this naturally, gracefully, completely and yet briefly,—this is his aim—and in it he has succeeded admirably.

In the opening lines, Chaucer does more than to simply tell us it was spring-time. He makes us feel that at the time of the general awakening of nature and of the migration of the birds, it is the most natural thing in the world for human beings to be stirred

by a desire to roam abroad; and he tacitly hints that it is this prompting of nature, rather than extraordinary religious zeal, which leads them to make their pilgrimage.

The arrangement, both in structure and in sense, is in the form of a climax. The interest is awakened and suspense secured at the beginning by the series of adverbial clauses culminating in the line that is the key to the whole Prologue: "Than longen folk to goon on pilgrimages." The order of ideas is likewise progressive. Our attention is called in succession to spring showers and the warmth of the sun, to awakening vegetation, to migrating birds, and finally to people going on pilgrimages.

While the introduction contains everything necessary to completeness, yet it has nothing superfluous. Every idea seems to be in direct line with the purpose and to have a use in leading up to the introduction of the characters.

The language is simple, the movement brisk, the versification melodious; and he who has read the lines appreciatively is in sympathy with the season and with the company, and is well launched upon the full tide of the poem.

The Knight.

By E. I. C., '94.

In introducing his characters to the reader, Chaucer naturally begins with the one who seems to be the central figure. At this time, of all the professions, knighthood was esteemed the worthiest, and thus pre-eminent among his characters stands the Knight. In him is combined the courtesy of the gentleman with the valor and heroism of the warrior. To be the best in everything is his aim; for, whether fighting in his country's cause or that of his fair lady, he always distinguishes himself. Yet, notwithstanding all the praise and fame resulting from his success, he was unassuming and free from conceit, courteous to his equals, and considerate towards his inferiors.

His attire, if nothing else, is a true index to his character, substantial but modest and simple.

Faithfulness is another attribute of this knight; for no sooner is his expedition over than he is on his way to the shrine, to pay his vows, promised for a safe return from battle.

In a word, he is an ideal knight; brave and honest, courteous and modest, and faithful in the performance of every duty.

The Nun.

By K. A. L., '94.

The Nun hardly answers our conception of what a lady superior should be. Looking for modesty, we find a trait that might develop into coquetry were the nun not restricted by the rules of her sisterhood. Thinking of a prioress as one of dignified bearing and commanding presence, we find Chaucer's Nun, although quite accomplished, very affected in her manners and ambitious to be admired.

She appeared to be very tender-hearted and full of pity for any suffering, but I think Chaucer intends to give the impression that her display of feeling for a captured mouse is due as much to her propensity to affectation as to any genuine sorrow. And yet her love for her dogs and her gentle treatment of them are evidences of a really kind heart. She was a little extravagant as she fed her dogs on sweet cake, a rarity that dogs in general did not enjoy. She was certainly not a sincere, truly religious woman, as we would expect one in her position to be, but, although not in any respect vicious, a weak follower of fashion, eager for attention and popularity.

The Monk.

By C. B. P., '94.

This Monk reveals traits of character which are altogether too frequent among people of modern times.

Although professing to be deeply religious he is, in reality, a very worldly man and may indeed be fitly styled a hypocrite. His fondness for outdoor

sports led him to engage in them even to the neglect of his clerical duties. Altogether he possesses one of those dispositions which fails to inspire its possessor with ambition other than the desire for personal gratifications.

The Doctor.

By W. W. H., '94.

Chaucer's Doctor was one of the peers of his profession. But evidently he was in the business because there was money in it.

"For gold in phisik is a cordial,
Therefore he lovede gold in special."

The Doctor was not an over-pious man; at least he spent more time in the study of the stars than of his Bible. "For he was grounded in astronomye." By this means and "by his magik naturel" he was able to determine the symptoms of his patients. Apparently he possessed, in no small degree, the essential characteristic of all successful physicians, viz., that of inspiring in his patients confidence in his ability to cope with any disease.

That he was a very learned doctor is manifest from the readiness with which he could quote from so many ancient authorities—of course it mattered but little whether they were medical or military authorities. True, his knowledge consisted largely of theories, but yet he was not so far behind his age, nor indeed the present time, in this respect. It is very probable that this Doctor wrought many cures upon the same principle as that recognized by the average physician of to-day, viz., the faith of the patient

in his knowledge and ability, and taking good care not to administer harmful medicine.

To regulate diet and other essentials was as necessary in those days as it is now and was not overlooked as a needful prescription by this Doctor. In short, I think he would be an acceptable citizen for most any New England town or hamlet at the present time, and I don't know as he would be altogether out of place in Lewiston.

The Clerk.

By E. F. P., '94.

Chaucer's Clerk is one of those simple, unworldly souls whose actions and ideals people in general cannot understand. He is a scholar in its best and truest sense. He goes beneath the surface. He seeks to solve the real and most important mysteries of life. External appearance, personal comfort—all are sacrificed to his absorbing love of knowledge. Yet he is quite unconscious of the sacrifice, for on such small things he bestows no thought. Absorbed in his reflections, he does not even seek to take advantage of his learning. But he is grateful for a favor, and in his way tries to repay a kindness. Such as he has that will he give in fullest measure. He is a great soul and yet he knows not of his greatness.

The Parson.

By M. A. H., '94.

Chaucer has in this man brought out an ideal character. The Parson was indeed poor in this world's goods,

but he was rich in religious devotion. Then, too, he was a well-educated man, who could penetrate the mysteries of the gospel and make them plain to his followers. He was kind, thoughtful, industrious, energetic, and trustful even under the most unfavorable circumstances. Generous and compassionate, he gave freely of the little that he had to satisfy the wants of his parishioners.

His one purpose seemed to be to consecrate his whole life to doing good to his fellow-men, and he pursued this purpose with great diligence. It might be truly said of him that he reversed the old saying and preached what he practiced.

A more devout, virtuous man could not be found, and yet, although he was a bitter enemy to all sin, he was very kind and merciful to sinners, seeking to draw them to the right by the example of an honest and upright life rather than by severity and by law. He dealt the same with all men, rebuking the great and the small alike.

And so we might enumerate the good qualities brought out in the character of this man at length, but it seems to me that all is told when we say that he was a model of everything that is true, noble and good in man, whether it be mental, moral or spiritual.

The Miller.

By B. W. G., '94.

It is hard to imagine two people in the same small party of twenty-nine more unlike than the Parson, with his refined spiritual nature, and the coarse, uncultivated Miller; yet Chaucer has

brought them together and we can remove neither the one nor the other from the band of Canterbury pilgrims. The Parson's character has been told; that of the Miller is left to be conjectured from his outward appearance and actions.

If his looks were any indication of his character he would be a most disagreeable person to meet, yet he finds a place among the travelers and adds to the general enjoyment by his superabundance of animal spirits, by his coarse jests, and by his performances upon the bag-pipe. He is evidently good-natured and ready to take as well as make jokes.

As a business man, he understands his trade well, and knows how to gain both honest and dishonest profits.

The finer side of the Miller's nature, if such there was, is not disclosed to us in the Prologue, and on the whole he seems but a low, rude fellow.

Chaucer's Ideal Man.

By J. B. H., '94.

All ideals vary in different ages and in different lands, but the ideal of true manhood varies as little perhaps as any. If Chaucer were living to-day, in the main he would admire what we admire, condemn what we condemn, in the men and women around us.

The first requisite to his ideal man is a healthy, well-developed body. The features must be clear-cut, the eye bright and mild, the complexion clear and glowing. The man must be self-possessed, easy and graceful in his manner, at home in court and field

alike. If he possess great physical strength and endurance, so much the better.

To such a body add a sound and well-disciplined mind. Education alone is not enough, but the mind itself must possess great native strength, must be so superior to other minds that it can sway them and move them to harmonize with itself.

But a sound body and well-disciplined mind will not suffice. The man must be controlled by right motive. He must have in his heart a fixed purpose to do the right, under whatever circumstances. He must be industrious and self-reliant, doing his best at all times.

He is modest, respectful and kind to his inferiors, courteous and manly to his superiors. Knowing his own weaknesses, he is charitable, assisting the weak, chiding only the willfully culpable, but never withholding deserved rebuke because of rank or wealth.

In him there is no pride. He is superior to gay clothes and fulsome flattery, but he does not despise the pleasures of life. Every helpful amusement and recreation receives his sincere respect.

He has a broad liberality. The dignified regard that he feels for his own deep convictions he permits others to cherish for theirs. As honesty is the mainspring of his own life, so he believes it to be of other lives. But with all his liberality, he is no slave to public opinion.

He has a genuine respect for religion. Not the religion that strives after material wealth and power, with which

to add to its own splendor, but the religion that benefits, that suffers and forgives.

To all these qualities must be added intense earnestness. To him, life is real, not a dream of existence; short, but crowded with possibilities.

ORIGINALITY NECESSARY TO SUCCESS.

BY J. B. HOAG, '94.

THE young man of to-day may well hesitate as he, an untried contestant, steps into the arena of active life. Every avenue to success seems blocked by the myriad feet of his competitors. But the wise man soon learns that the paths that the multitudes tread, lead not to success. The vast majority of lives end as they begin. Only the few ever accomplish anything truly great. These walk alone.

Search history through, we find but one Shakespeare. Some of the brightest intellects of the age have spent years in the study of his works, but they cannot write as he wrote, cannot even produce a respectable counterfeit. If he had devoted his life to imitating the brightest example in history he would have succeeded no better than they. The moment a man imitates another, however worthy of imitation, at that moment he repudiates his own intelligence and ability, and dedicates his life to the praise of another, acknowledges himself a beggar, beseeching the cast-off thoughts and worn-out phrases of one who, no abler than himself, dared to confess the truth he had discovered.

A thought, never printed in book or spoken by the tongue of man, comes to us in a quiet moment. We banish it because it is our own. We conceal it from the world, from fear of its ridicule or its displeasure. Doubtless others than Columbus held views similar to his, but he alone of them all had the courage to pursue an idea that was contrary to the teachings of every authority. What if his theories did contain many errors, and but little truth! What if his computations and conclusions were erroneous, and India was distant from Europe 18,000 instead of 3,000 miles as he supposed? Would Providence permit such faith, such perseverance, to go unrewarded? After he had sailed till his crew had all mutinied, after the last of the three days of grace had passed, and faith and perseverance could do no more, there lay before him a new continent, dreaming for centuries in the seas. At the touch of civilization the sleep of ages was broken, and a new world was given to oppressed man.

On the one hand were crowded cities, poverty, and ignorance; on the other, vast and fertile areas, wealth untold, and the future seat of learning. On the one hand were subjection, superstition, and false theories that had become crystallized by the lapse of time; on the other hand, freedom for body and spirit.

In our minds to-day lie the dormant conceptions of truths grander than have yet confessed themselves to man. It may not be ours to discover a continent or to portray the character of mankind, but it is ours to create the

record of a human life. There can be no nobler work than this. As among all the multitudes of men, we find no two faces, no two dispositions exactly alike, so we should expect to find no two lives alike. Why trouble about what others may do, what others may think; I am responsible only for what my hands may do, what my brain may think. We pity the heathen of Africa, of India, and of China, while we ourselves bow low before the god of public opinion. Why this submission, this abject slavery, when the only men who have really lived are those who have broken the fetters?

It may seem easier to conform to established customs and opinions. Even Emerson said, "He who scorns the world, on him the scorned world seeks its revenge"; but Emerson did not believe that, for he said in other places, "Trust thyself. Every heart vibrates to that iron string." "Whoso would be a man, must be a non-conformist." "Absolve you to yourself and you shall have the suffrage of the world." "It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the great man is he who, in the midst of the crowd, keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude."

Emerson was a non-conformist. He startled the world with his strange philosophy. Conservatism gazed with pale cheek and bated breath, while he shattered its most cherished idols; but in place of broken idols he set up gods of truth, and the world now votes him its praise.

Who, then, is the successful man? Not he whose life is a gilded image, a mere mirror, though it reflect ever so perfectly. The successful man is positive, progressive, and individual. He has accomplished some definite object in life. He has added something to the store of human knowledge or of human good. The result may be small; it matters not. Quality is the standard of success. If there be in all the mass some grain of wheat, the winds of time will dissipate all the chaff, and leave only the golden grain.

THE LIBRARY AS AN EDUCATOR.

BY KATE A. LESLIE, '94.

ONE of the most comprehensive words in our language is education. "The function which it has to discharge," says Herbert Spencer, "is to prepare us for complete living," and such a preparation must include the training and development of all our faculties; moral, intellectual, physical, and spiritual. From how many resources, then, must we draw to perfect our education! Schools, teachers, social life, study of nature, are all necessary factors; but equally important is the library.

To it is largely due the advancement of any age in knowledge beyond the preceding. As the child must learn his letters before he can read; as the pupil depends upon his algebra as a guide to the higher mathematics, so each generation depends for its further advancement upon the library that has been accumulating through the ages. If this is used aright, if one does not

become a mere book-worm, disregarding the claims of society and closing his eyes to the material world; if he reads with an active discriminating mind; if, like Lord Bacon, he reads to "weigh and consider," he avails himself of a most potent means for gaining true culture.

Few of us can have personal intercourse with the greatest minds. Many of these have lived in an age long past, and those of the present age it is seldom our lot to meet. But the great man who, from his reserve, has not revealed his thought to his dearest friend, has imparted it to paper and so given it to the library. Hence, while we should esteem it a great privilege to have known a few of the wisest and wittiest men that have lived, we should prize even more the library, that can make us possessors of the thought and knowledge resulting from their life study and investigation.

Few men have accomplished anything great in science, literature or art, that have not been inspired by some book. Reading opens to us new regions of thought. Our attention is continually called to some phase of knowledge we have never before considered. By studying a book on nature we come to a higher appreciation of natural beauty. There is awakened in us a desire to study more closely the birds and the insects, the rocks and the flowers. The book teaches their form and structure, and gives us a better idea of the extent and variety of these little worlds, thus making doubly interesting the study of nature in her woods and fields.

With Shakespeare, Dickens, and

Eliot we may study human nature. We sometimes say we have never met such characters as they portray; but if we observe people more closely we shall find plenty of Shylocks, plenty of Micawbers, plenty of Arthur Donithorns; and now and then the patient "Little Dorritt" or the saintly Dinah Morris. A study of such characters, real or fictitious, cannot fail in its influence. No one can read thoughtfully of the life and work of a noble soul without receiving some of its goodness and purity; without being impelled to leave the rut of selfishness and indifference and enter the path of self-sacrifice and earnestness. No more can one follow in history or fiction the mean and low career of one person, without having all the good in his nature aroused in protest.

With the historian we may study the past. The motives that have moved men's minds since the earliest times, their actions with the results are here portrayed, adding to our knowledge something that is highly important in helping us to answer more correctly the social and political questions of the day. An acquaintance with history is the next best thing to a life's experience. Such an acquaintance may develop the strong statesman; the want of it may result in the weak politician.

Careful reading of any good book aids moral and spiritual growth, exercises the power of judgment and reasoning, delights and strengthens the imagination. Man cannot always find in his associates a response to his needs and longings. But in the library there is food to suit the most delicate

taste, knowledge to satisfy the most ambitious soul.

"Here Greek and Roman find themselves
Alive along these crowded shelves;
And Shakespeare treads again his stage,
And Chaucer paints anew his age.

"As if some Pantheon's marbles broke
Their stony trance, and lived and spoke,
Life thrills along the alcoved hall,
The lords of thought await our call."

"THE LADY OF SHALOTT."

BY EVA B. ROBY, '97.

THIS is one of the earlier of Lord Tennyson's poems. It was published in 1832. But it shows very clearly his beauty of thought and his art as a poet.

The reader is led through a gallery of pen pictures, the ever-increasing beauty of which surprises and delights him. The skillful use of vivid contrasts deepens and brings out the shades of thought. The picture-words clothe them with grace and reality.

The most widely accepted interpretation of the poem is the portrayal of youthful innocence, and its loss in the deeper experiences of womanhood. And it is in the subordination of all the particulars to this one central thought that the skill of the poet is shown most clearly. Throughout the poem the agreement between nature and the thought is perfect.

"On either side the river lie
Long fields of barley and of rye,
That clothe the wold and meet the sky;
And thro' the field the road runs by
To many-towered Camelot."

It is a quiet, rustic scene, a fit background for the Lady of Shalott in her character of youthful innocence. But the picture is incomplete. Something

beside this repose, something even
beside the purity of the lilies that

"Blow

Round an island there below"

is needed to perfect the home of the
Lady of Shalott. There is a joyous
light-heartedness belonging to the
innocence of youth. And this we find
in the second stanza:

"Willows whiten, aspens quiver,
Little breezes dusk and shiver
Thro' the wave that runs forever
By the island in the river,
Flowing down to Camelot."

For all must move toward Camelot.
And in that beautiful seclusion, where

"Four gray walls and four gray towers
Overlook a space of flowers,
The silent isle embowers
The Lady of Shalott."

And by her, all unheeding, passes the
world with its cares—

"The heavy barges trail'd
By slow horses"—

And the world with its pleasures—

"Shallops silken-sail'd."

"Only reapers, reaping early
In among the bearded barley,
Hear a song that echoes cheerly,"

For only these retain somewhat of the
simplicity which is akin to the inno-
cence of youth.

But though the world knows her not,
yet the world, in part, is seen by her,
not through real experience, but re-
flected in shadows as through a mirror.
And from these, imagination busy

"Weaves by night and day
A magic web with colors gay."

For the sombre colors of care and sor-
row are to her unknown. But

"She has heard a whisper say,
A curse is on her if she stay
To look down to Camelot."

Camelot, the seat of King Arthur's
court, the centre of the deep experi-
ences of life. Camelot, the world. No
place is there for the innocence of
youth. When Camelot is entered, this,
with its sweet fancies and its calm,
must die. But

"She knows not what the curse may be,
And so she weaveth steadily"

Fancies of all she sees through the
"mirror blue"—"the village churl,"
the "market girl," the "abbot," the
"curly shepherd lad," "the knights,
riding two and two." And though

"She hath no loyal knight and true,
Yet in her web she still delights."

But

"When the moon was overhead
Came two young lovers lately wed,"

There was a half-awakening of heart,
and

"I am half sick of shadows," said
The lady of Shalott.

Then came Sir Lancelot, noble in
person and equipment.

"The sun came dazzling thro' the leaves,
And flamed upon his brazen greaves."

"The gemmy bridle glittered free,
Like to some branch of stars we see
Hung in the golden galaxy."

"The helmet and the helmet feather
Burn'd like one burning flame together."

"His broad, clear brow in sunlight glow'd";

"From underneath his helmet flow'd
His coal-black curls as on he rode."

"He flashed into the crystal mirror."

Deeper emotions began to stir in her
heart. There was unrest.

"She saw the water-lily bloom,"

But also

"She saw the helmet and the plume."

She looked down to Camelot. Her
fancies fled. Life was becoming real.
She begins to see it as it is. Her
mirror cracked.

All the scene is changed ; the happy, restful beauty gone. Not only is there a sadness at the slipping away of youthful innocence, but the whole being is stirred, there is a breaking up of old delights ; and as through the whole poem, so now, nature is still in sympathy.

"In the stormy east wind straining,
The pale yellow woods were waning,
The broad stream in its banks complaining,
Heavily the low sky raining."

And as she felt the river of life was carrying her to untried womanhood, longing to keep the freshness of youth it was bearing away, almost frightened,

"Down the river's dim expanse,
Like some bold seer in a trance,
Seeing all his own mischance—
With a glassy countenance
Did she look down to Camelot.
And at the closing of the day
She loosed the chain, and down she lay."

And as the river bears her farther on to the deep, calm waters of womanhood, the scene becomes more peaceful.

"Lying robed in snowy white
That loosely flew from left to right—
The leaves upon her falling light—
Thro' the noises of the night
She floated down to Camelot."
And as the boat-head wound along
The willowy hills and fields among,"

Rises the last song of youth. The deep experiences of the world are hers. And

"Knight and burgher, lord and dame,
Cross themselves for fear,"

Thinking of the danger there might be for her. While Lancelot, knight of knights, "Mused a little space," and said, "She has a lovely face," then breathed the prayer, "God in his mercy lend her grace."

THE WORLD'S DEITIES.

BY MAUDE A. HILL, '94.

FROM the earliest times mankind has recognized the existence of a supreme being. The ancient Greeks worshiped Jupiter as the ruler of earth and sky, and at the same time they did homage to other gods inferior to this one great master. As civilization progressed this system of worship declined ; these deities lost their power and were forgotten. But consider the condition of the world at the present day. Are there no Jupiters now? Are we not bowing before Olympian deities of a more modern origin? Each nation of the world has its god ; different classes of people deify different objects or qualities ; we all, as individuals, worship our ideals or our fancies.

The French nation is continually striving for power—power in all its forms, civil, political, and military. This is the goal which it is ever striving to attain. Behold the deity of France—Military Power.

The Germans are a nation of scholars, poets, and musicians. Hence, in Germany, profound philosophy is set up as an object of worship.

Even our United States is building a temple, unconsciously perhaps, but actually, in honor of that very powerful god, Wealth. How many such deities are found throughout the world? Who would attempt to estimate their number?

We look with pity upon the poor heathen, and send to them, from time to time, missionaries to spread the gospel of our Master, Jesus Christ, and to raise them from the deep abyss of

ignorance and sin to the noble height of knowledge and purity. We gradually lead them from the worship of graven images, as it were, to a true devotion to the one existing Divinity. Thus, we leave our own homes, cross the broad expanse of the ocean to allay the storms of heathenism, while within the boundaries of our own state, yes, nearer than that, within the limits of our own little village, the damp and destroying mists of idol worship are fast gathering into gloomy and ominous clouds. Idol worship? Yes, truly. Our idols are not molded from clay nor chiseled from marble; they are fashioned from a material more lasting than either of these, more valuable than gold or jewels—from deep, concentrated thought. They are the products of our minds. We set before ourselves some quality, some person as a pattern, and we strive to mold ourselves into a perfect likeness of this pattern. It is changed gradually to an object of reverence and of awe, and unconsciously it becomes to us a deity just as truly as the idol is to the heathen. It is our God, our Jehovah. We laugh with scorn at the very mention of the fact, but after reflection the truth of such a statement must be admitted.

Idealism is a virtue if not carried too far. A noble desire or ambition should be to any man an incentive to progress, mental, moral, and physical.

How delightful is the gentle summer breeze, laden with the varied perfumes of many flowers! The blades of grass bend playfully under its influence; the grain in the field nods with grace and pleasure; and even the sturdy oak

sways its mighty branches to and fro, and chats merrily with the passing wind in that incomprehensible, yet beautifully expressive language, the rustle of its leaves. What a soothing and inspiring element! Yet, what can be more destructive than this same gentle breeze when converted by its ruling spirit into the raging, howling wind of the hurricane? How different its voice! The same grass which a minute ago danced in merry play, is now leveled to the earth; the grain is a crushed and tangled mass; the giant oak is uprooted and shattered.

So ideals, if considered properly, are a benefit to mankind. They are an incentive to noble aims and pursuits; they tend to raise the standard of civilization and to hasten the march of progress throughout the world.

But change admiration to reverence, convert the model into an idol, and witness the result. This same beneficial influence becomes a very destructive power. Instead of progression comes retrogression, and in the midst of the highest civilization springs up a mental heathenism to which the strongest mind falls as easy a prey as did the stately oak to the hurricane.

But nothing can be more advantageous than ideals when they are limited to their proper sphere.

Therefore, choose for yourself a model, admire it, study it, follow closely all its teachings, but beware of deification or even of undue exaltation. In no way detract from the power of God by setting up lesser deities, for God has ever been, is, and ever will be the only Divine Being.

Poets' Corner.

A LEGEND.

There is a legend found in dusty books,
 A legend of the years and years ago,
 That in a mountain by the sunny Rhine
 There is a wondrous kingdom, whose approach
 Is guarded from the vulgar eyes of men.
 Without is desolation's grim domain,
 For rugged mountains rise, adown whose sides
 Rush little trembling rills with faces white,
 Like children from a giant's dread domain.
 But far within, so legend tells the tale,
 There is a fairy land, the court of love,
 Where grow the brightest flowers and fairest
 ferns,
 Where fountains play and wild-eyed Satyrs
 sport,
 Where Nymphs and Dryads haunt the spark-
 ling streams,
 And all of Nature's secrets are made clear.
 Few mortal eyes have witnessed this retreat,
 For none can pass, without the mystic word,
 The hidden gates veiled in deep mystery.
 But, ever and anon, some happy ones,
 Deemed worthy by the gathered court of love,
 Are chosen from the thronging race of men
 And led within the mountain's parlor fair
 To join with others in the holy tie
 Of brotherhood, and thus enjoy the sweets
 And learn the mysteries of earth.

And ever in this wondrous court of love,
 Where fountains rise and murmur dreamily,
 Where flowers spring beneath the feet of joy,
 And all goes happy as a marriage feast,
 This band of chosen ones are free to roam
 And firmer seal each day the holy bonds
 Of brotherhood and tender fellowship.

There is a beauty in this ancient myth
 Dimmed by the twilight of long-vanished
 years.
 There is a hidden charm that holds the eye,
 And, half unconscious, we would gaze again.
 O wondrous mount of beauty and of joy,
 In thee we see our loved society;
 Its chains of friendship are as strong as thine,
 Like thine her sweet gates admit but few,
 And chosen from the fairest of our land.
 Thy birds and flowers and founts that murmur
 low,

These are the symbols of our friendship true,
 And these the truths we learn within these
 halls.

Then, members of our little chosen band,
 Let's strive and make this legend live again.
 Guard well the truth and firmly stand for
 right,
 And with the hand of Him to lead us on
 Let's make Love's beauteous flowers perennial;
 With heart and hand to keep it ever fresh
 With us the myth of old shall live in truth.

—X. Y. ZOSIMUS, '95.

THE DEPARTURE OF SUMMER.

We wandered in joy and in gladness,
 And our hearts twined together with love,
 For she was the maiden called Summer,
 Wearing garlands that angel hands wove.
 As she walked with light step through the
 meadow
 With the sunlight of June in her eyes,
 All the flowers bloomed forth at her coming,
 And more soft was the blue of the skies.
 For she carried new life in her bosom,
 And scattered it over the land;
 New verdure sprang up in the forest
 At the touch of her soft, magic hand.

I loved her, O deeply I loved her—
 Too strong was my love, for one night
 The jealous North wind breathed upon her
 And bore her away from my sight.

I loved her and wooed her, but lost her,
 For she fled, like a spirit, away.
 Now the dead, withered flowers but mock me,
 For I'm sad and so lonely to-day.

Dead, dead is the grass in the meadows,
 And the birds sing but once and are still;
 Comes no sound save the cow-bell's faint tinkle
 From the brown pasture-ground on the hill.

All vainly I've searched in the woodland,
 And down through the steamlet-charmed
 dell,
 But she's flitting away to the southland,—
 O sweet sunny Summer, farewell!

—L. D. T., '96.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

Oh, isn't he cute, that quarterback,
 Remarked the co-ed fair,
 Those sinewy arms, that glorious form,
 And, best of all—such hair.

Exams.

Do you teach? and where?

Hanscom, '97, is teaching at Wells.

Miss Cross, '95, is teaching in Webster.

O. C. Cutts, '96, has gone to Newport to teach.

A new stove has been placed in the Y. M. C. A. room in Parker Hall.

N. R. Smith, '95, has finished his school at Bowdoinham and returned to college.

Professor Angell was unable to meet his classes for several days recently on account of illness.

To Let! Vacant space in Sophomore section, college chapel. Apply to janitor.

For the first time in years the Sophomore prize debates will not occur during the fall term.

The Junior Class have elected Fred S. Wakefield as manager of the STUDENT for '94.

Deacon Rufus Deering and Hon. L. M. Webb, '70, of Portland, visited the college a few days ago.

E. L. Haynes, '93, manager and teacher at Good Will Farm, East Fairfield, visited the college recently.

C. C. Ferguson, '92, assistant principal at the Maine Central Institute,

Pittsfield, spent Sunday, November 12th, in Lewiston.

The College Band has furnished excellent music for the Freshman declamations during the past few weeks.

J. G. Morrell, '95, and H. N. Knox, '95, were among those who took in the World's Fair at Chicago during its last days.

Mr. Thompson of the Harper's Ferry Jubilee Singers, rendered a bass solo in a pleasing manner at chapel Monday morning, November 13th.

W. F. Sims, '93, principal of Litchfield Academy, and L. E. Moulton, '93, principal of Monson Academy, are spending a few days at the college.

Cutts and Hanscom played on the B. U. eleven against Bowdoin, October 26th, and Brown and Cutts played with the same team against Colby the next day.

Owing to the enforced absence of a large number of the members from the class of '96 the public meeting of the Polymnian Society has been put over to next term.

The editors of the STUDENT for the ensuing year have been announced as follows: B. L. Pettigrew, Miss A. W. Collins, F. A. Knapp, W. S. C. Russell, J. G. Morrill, H. N. Knox.

Rev. Dr. Summerbell of the Main Street Free Baptist Church, conducted chapel exercises Friday morning, November 3d. After prayers he made a short address to the students.

The Latin School foot-ball team played the Bates second eleven on the college campus, Saturday, October 21st. The game resulted in a score of 8 to 6 in favor of the Latin School.

The young ladies of '94 entertained the class at the society rooms in Hathorn Hall, Tuesday evening, November 7th, by giving a cobweb party. Every one present had a jolly time and voted the affair a success.

French, '94, has returned from North New Portland, where he has been teaching the high school. He has been elected principal of the Columbia Falls high school, where he will take up his duties in January.

During the absence of Professor Dale, on account of the illness of his father, the Freshmen were drilled in their parts by E. J. Hatch and J. B. Hoag, '94. From results we should judge that both did excellent work.

An enthusiastic meeting was held in the college chapel, October 26th, in the interest of college athletics. Professor Chase, in behalf of the faculty, promised that foot-ball should be given the same support as base-ball in the future.

The Harper's Ferry Jubilee Singers sang several selections at the declamations of the Fourth Division of the Freshman Class, Wednesday evening, November 9th. They were heartily encored and had difficulty in appeasing the audience.

Professor G. B. Files gave a very interesting and instructive lecture before the members of the Polymnian Society, Saturday evening, November

4th. His subject was well handled and the lecture appreciated very much by all who heard it.

A special meeting in the interest of college Y. M. C. A. work was held at the association rooms in Parker Hall, Sunday afternoon, November 12th. The meeting was addressed by E. H. Gerrish, president of the Lewiston Y. M. C. A., and by Professor Jordan.

The Rev. Drew T. Wyman, of the Bates Street Baptist Church, conducted the exercises at chapel, Thursday, November 9th, and gave an interesting talk to the students on the subject of the "True Ideal of Manhood and Womanhood." We would be pleased to hear him again.

THE EUROSOPHIAN PUBLIC MEETING.

The public meeting of the Euroso-
phian society was held in the chapel
Friday evening, November 10th, and
was a great success. The chapel was
crowded with people and many more
had to go away because they could not
get in. The following was the pro-
gramme :

PART FIRST.

Overture. Orchestra.

PRAYER.

Piano Duet—Le Tourbellon.—Tito Mattei.

Florence M. Farnum,

Frank T. Wingate.

Oration— $\pi\omicron\upsilon\ \sigma\tau\tilde{\omega}$.

Edwin F. Pierce.

Poem—Repentance (an allegory).

Wildie Thayer.

Discussion—Is the Moral Condition of the
American People Deteriorating?

Female Quartette—Dinah Doe.—Molloy.

Bertha A. Bryant, Charlotte Jennison,

Helen M. Willard, Mary B. Buzzell.

PART SECOND.

Twelfth Night—Shakespeare.

Dramatis Personæ.

Orsino—Duke of Illyria. Oliver F. Cutts.

Sebastian—Brother to Viola. Fred A. Knapp.

Antonio—A Sea Captain, Friend to Sebastian.

Frank T. Wingate.

Valentine } Gentlemen attending on the Duke.
Curio }{ Albert L. Kavanaugh,
{ Junius E. Roberts.

Sir Toby Belch—Uncle to Olivia.

Geo. W. Thomas.

Sir Andrew Ague-Cheek. Joseph B. Coy.

Malvolio—Steward to Olivia.

Waterman S. C. Russell.

Clown—Servant to Olivia.

Elwyn G. Campbell.

Olivia—A Rich Countess. Flora A. Mason.

Viola—Sister to Sebastian. Emily B. Cornish.

Maria—Olivia's Woman. Alice W. Collins.

Officers, Priest, and Attendants.

THE FRESHMAN DECLAMATIONS.

The class of '97 have passed through the trying ordeal of Freshman declamations, and have won their first laurels in the way of public honors. The class declaimed in four divisions, H. R. Purinton, A.B., of the Cobb Divinity School, S. I. Graves '94, and H. M. Cook, '94, acting as judges for the selection of the speakers for the prize division.

The general work of the class was excellent and the greater number of the parts gave evidence of careful preparation.

The prize division declaimed in the college chapel Saturday evening, November 11th. Excellent music was rendered by Callahan's orchestra.

The following was the programme:

Song of the Market Place.—Anon.

Maude A. Vickery.

The Influence of Poetry on the Working

Class.—Anon.

Adelbert W. Bailey.

Good Night, Papa.—Anon.

Charlotte Jennison.

Use and Abuse of Wealth.—Ruskin.

Carl E. Milliken.

The Homes of the People.—Grady.

James A. Marr.

A Leak in the Dyke.—Carey.

Annie J. Butterfield.

Fiat Justicia.—Ingalls. Ralph W. Emerson.

Scotland.—Flagg. Fred W. Burrill.

The People Always Conquer.—Everett.

William O. Phillips.

Extract.—Bulwer.

Everett Skillings.

Ballad of Carmilhan.—Longfellow.

Charlotte M. Hanson.

The Boat Race.—Bennett. Edith W. Lunt.

The Soldier's Reprieve.—Mrs. Robbins.

Winifred S. Sleeper.

The prize for young ladies was awarded to Miss Hanson and the prize for young gentlemen to Mr. Marr. The committee of award were Rev. Thomas B. Payne, F. A. Morey, Esq., and F. L. Noble, Esq.

FOOT-BALL.

Considering the fact that this is practically the first season in which a Bates eleven has contested for honors upon the gridiron, every loyal Bates man, student or alumnus, should feel proud of the work which our team has done. Beginning the season with an eleven composed of men nearly all of whom had had no previous experience, we have played seven games, five of which have resulted in victory for the garnet, with a combined score of 164 points. Of the other two, one was given to Colby by hard luck and the umpire, with a score of 4 to 0; the other, played against Bowdoin, with several years' experience against such teams as Harvard, Brown, Tufts, and Boston Athletic Association in her

favor, could not, in the expectations of the most sanguine, result otherwise than in defeat.

The first game played since the last issue of the *STUDENT* was on the delta at Brunswick, Saturday, October 28th. Bowdoin won by a score of 54 to 0. Although defeated, the boys, however, were encouraged rather than disheartened. Cutts was highly complimented by the Bowdoin boys. Douglass' skill in tackling deserves special notice, as does the work of Woodman, who at quarterback has done good service in every game he has played. Brown is a strong center and one of the mainstays of the team.

The next game was against Bangor High School, and was played at Bangor, Friday, November 3d. In this game Hamilton replaced Brackett as fullback, the latter having been laid off by injuries received while doing valiant service in the Bowdoin game. Two twenty-minute halves were played. Bates got the ball and started off with the flying wedge, making a big gain of 25 yards. Our boys steadily advanced and in ten minutes had secured a touchdown and goal. Score: Bates, 6; Bangor High School, 0.

In the second half Bangor held her own well against the rush of the heavy Bates men, and advanced steadily for some time by bucking the center. Bates now made a grand rush and were within 25 yards of Bangor's goal when time was called.

The next day our boys met the M. S. C. team at Orono and promptly defeated them with a score of 18 to 0.

A return game between the same

teams was played on the Bates field, Wednesday, November 8th. The make-up of the Bates team was practically the same as at Bangor and Orono. From the first the game was decidedly in our favor and a detailed account would be wearisome. Hamilton received an injury near the end of the first half and was replaced by Files.

Cutts kicked goals to perfection and played enthusiastically. Small made several fine runs, and the blocking off of Hamilton, Douglass, and Files was excellent. Field also made some brilliant runs, securing several of the touchdowns. In the darkness, near the close of the game, M. S. C. succeeded in securing a touchdown and goal. At the end the score stood Bates, 52; M. S. C., 6.

Hebron Academy met us on the Bates field, Saturday, November 11th. Cutts, who is away, was replaced by Parsons, while Files took the place of Douglass, who was laid off with a sprained ankle. Brackett took his old position for the first time since the Bowdoin game. The Hebrons had shortly before tied a game with Colby, and the spectators expected a close game. Bates, however, went in with a rush, winning without difficulty. Score, 34 to 0.

Files, in the games he has played, has shown himself to be a strong man for next year's team. Purington has done excellent work throughout the season. Small crossed the goal line a good many times during the last three or four games.

Unfortunately the Sophomore difficulties broke up the team at the height

of its glory and we shall be obliged to sink into quietude until next year.

The make-up of the regular team during the latter part of the season was as follows:

Purington,	. . . . .	Left End.
O. Hanscom,	. . . . .	Left Tackle.
Bruce,	. . . . .	Left Guard.
Brown,	. . . . .	Center.
Cutts,	. . . . .	Right Guard.
E. Hanscom,	. . . . .	Right Tackle.
Field,	. . . . .	Right End.

Woodman,	. . . . .	Quarterback.
Douglass,	{	. . . . .
Small,	}	Halfbacks.
Brackett,	. . . . .	Fullback and Captain.

At a recent meeting of the team Douglass, '96, was unanimously elected captain for the ensuing year. Much credit is due Manager Small and Assistant Manager Dutton for the success which has attended the game at Bates this season.

Alumni Department.

ALUMNI NOTICE.

The next annual dinner of the alumni of Boston and vicinity will occur as usual, during the last week of December, at Young's Hotel, Boston. Alumnae of the college are invited this year, and it is hoped a large number will attend. Notice of the day and hour will be sent by mail to all whom the secretary has the addresses of.

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TEACHING IN LOWER GRADES.

To the Editors of the Student:

SO far as my limited observation extends, I think very few of the women graduating from Bates College and from other colleges seek positions as teachers in any grades below the High School. The number of desirable positions in High Schools is necessarily few in comparison. The number of women graduating from college is increasing from year to year, and competition is necessarily sharp and salaries low.

On the other hand the demand for liberally educated teachers in the lower grades is constantly increasing and is far in excess of the supply.

The ordinary Primary teacher that understands her business commands regularly \$550 or \$600. Grammar School teachers receive from \$600 to \$800.

Primary teachers that master the art and science of their profession readily command \$700 to \$1,000, as teachers in the Training Schools. The larger Training Schools pay the woman principal from \$1,200 to \$1,600 a year. In Massachusetts there are at least eight women holding positions as superintendents of schools. Some of them receive as much as \$1,800 a year, I think. Nearly or quite all of them have won their laurels as teachers in the Primary grades. Several have been principals of Training Schools.

Most positions in the lower grades are occupied to-day by those who have not had a college education. The college graduate, in my opinion, has the advantage.

In short, I believe that there is both money and honor in becoming an expert Primary or Grammar School teacher to-day. If I mistake not, the college girl of the future will not disdain to enter this line of work. The first ones that are on the ground will have the best chance. Almost all of the best Training Schools, such as Cambridge, Mass., accept the college diploma in lieu of the Normal School diploma. Not even a Normal School diploma is required at present, in many places.

Not a week goes by but there is a demand for a first-class Primary teacher. I happen to know of a position at a salary of \$850 that is fairly going begging because the committee and superintendent are not able to find a competent assistant principal of a city Training School. They want some one with a liberal education as well as a successful experience as a Primary teacher, a combination that is unfortunately hard to find.

The true science of teaching is yet in a formative state. The skillfully trained teachers of the next generation will help make the science of education.

There is nothing like the same opportunity to distinguish one's self in this respect in the higher grades that there is in the lower grades. Such distinguished men as President Hall of Clark University, President Eliot of Harvard University, President Barnes of Leland Stanford University, are turning their attention to the study of children in the Primary and Grammar Schools.

President Hall, in a recent address

to the New England Conference of Educational Workers, boldly asserted that any system of philosophy that did not *culminate* in a curriculum for the education of the young was, in his opinion, abortive. We have, then, no complete system of philosophy in this country.

The teaching profession (if we may call it a profession at this time) stands like Balboa on the shore of a vast and unknown ocean.

For a young man or for a young woman the opportunities for achieving success as a truly professional teacher are, in my opinion, very great, and the opportunities are greater in the lower grades than in the higher ones.

A. L. SAFFORD.

Beverly, Mass., Nov. 15, 1893.

PERSONALS.

'73.—James H. Baker, LL.D., president of the University of Colorado, is one of a committee of ten, of which President Eliot, of Harvard, is chairman, appointed by the National Educational Association, to prepare a report outlining the subjects of study that should be included in the curriculum of American preparatory schools, and the proper character and demands of college entrance examinations. This committee has been at work on the subject for a year, and it met at Columbia College, on the 8th inst., to complete its report, which will shortly be given to the public. It is confidently predicted that, when issued, the report will carry sufficient weight to modify and greatly improve preparatory education in this country.

'74.—Rev. C. S. Frost is pastor of the Essex Street Free Baptist Church, Bangor, Me.

'76.—Rev. G. L. White is contributing to *The Morning Star* a valuable series of prayer-meeting topics with thoughtful suggestions.

'77.—Androscoggin pays its compliments to County Attorney Oakes. He has made a great record and done the county great service. By the way, there hasn't been a harder worked man in the state for the past month than our robust county attorney.—*Lewiston Journal*, Oct. 20.

'80.—I. F. Frisbee, principal of the Latin School, has received an invitation to be present at a conference of teachers at Brown University the last of the month.

'81.—Hon. Ruel Robinson of Camden is Grand Master of the Maine Odd Fellows.

'81.—Mrs. E. J. (Clark) Rand has returned from a month's visiting in Chicago, Hillsdale, Mich., and Washington, D. C.

'82.—Rev. O. H. Tracy is pastor of the Free Baptist Church, Great Falls, N. H.

'83.—F. E. Manson, recently of Lowell, Mass., is editor of the *Daily Times*, Williamsport, Pa.

'83.—O. L. Frisbee will be one of the managers of Lookout Inn, one of the largest hotels in the South, situated on Lookout Mountain, Tenn., overlooking Chattanooga. It will be open from January 1st to May 15th.

'84.—Rev. A. Beede, pastor of the Congregational church, Alfred, Me.,

has organized a Shakespeare Club in his parish.

'85.—G. A. Goodwin of Springvale was married, October 16th, to Miss Etta L. Gile at Waterboro. They will reside in Springvale, where Mr. Goodwin is engaged in the practice of law.

'85.—Mrs. Ada H. (Tucker) Stiles, recently returned from missionary service in India, is rapidly recovering from the severe illness that made necessary her abandonment of her work abroad. She is receiving the most skillful hospital treatment that Boston affords.

'86.—Professor W. H. Hartshorn is in great demand at teachers' conventions. He gave an address upon German Educational Methods at the Knox County Convention held in Rockland on Friday, November 17th.

'86.—F. H. Nickerson is superintendent of schools for Whitman, Mass.

'86.—Rev. Charles Hadley of Madras, India, formerly of this city, has sent to the Bates Street Baptist Church a collection of Indian curiosities, consisting of a Burmese household god, Burmese money, curious and beautiful table covers, and other articles.

'87.—E. C. Hayes is pastor of the new Free Baptist church, Melrose Highlands, Mass.

'87.—Rev. Israel Jordan, of Bethel, Me., preached the annual sermon before the recent Oxford County Congregational Association.

'88.—F. S. Hamlet, M.D., is having an excellent practice in Hallowell, Me.

'88.—H. Hatter, late business manager for the Jubilee Singers of Harper's

Ferry, was in town recently. He has returned to his position at the head of the Industrial Department of Storer College.

'88.—Miss N. B. Jordan read a paper at a recent convention at Ross's Corner upon "The Aim of Young People's Societies."

'89.—A. L. Safford, superintendent of schools, Beverly, Mass., has published the course of study pursued in the schools under his direction with comments and explanations that show a minute and scholarly acquaintance with the theory and practice of modern education.

'91.—W. S. Mason is principal of the high school, Epping, N. H.

'92.—The father of E. W. Emery died October 6th in Melrose, Mass.

'92.—W. B. Skelton, Esq., will form a law partnership with ex-Mayor Newell, of Lewiston, the first of January. W. H. Judkins, Esq., '80, of the present firm of Newell & Judkins, will continue the practice of law in Lewiston.

'92.—H. E. Walter is enjoying his work in the university at Freiburg even more than he anticipated. He is studying Systematic and Comparative Anatomy, Osteology, Zoology, and Bacteriology. Before going to Freiburg, Mr. Walter spent seven weeks in the study of the German language at Heidelberg, and he finds his German sufficient for the lecture-room and the laboratory.

'92.—A contest in declamations was recently held at Dover between Monson, Foxcroft, and East Corinth academies and Dexter and Guilford high schools, each school sending two contestants.

A condition was that the speakers should receive no assistance outside of their respective schools. The contest was decided in favor of the Dexter High School. Three of the above schools have Bates graduates as principals: Blanchard, '92, at Dexter; Moulton, '93, at Monson; and Ross, '93, at Guilford.

'93.—E. J. Winslow is principal of the high school at Roxbury, Conn.

'93.—J. B. McFadden is principal of the high school, East Jeffrey, N. H.

'93.—F. L. Hoffman is teacher of physics and chemistry and instructor in gymnastics in the Franklin School, Cincinnati. He has also been coaching the foot-ball team and playing half-back on it in a series of league games.

The University of Pennsylvania has provided a new course for young men desiring to prepare for newspaper work. The course will cover a period of four years, with studies for the first two years largely elective, but for the Junior and Senior years the time will be mainly devoted to politics, history, finance, economics and statistics.

Since February, 1891, the University of the State of Missouri has received from the State \$1,525,000. No state in the country has ever given its university so much in so short a space of time.

A plan is on foot at the University of Pennsylvania for erecting a large gate at the entrance of the grounds as a memorial of their great athlete, Clarence S. Bayne.

College Exchanges.

OUR fellow-exchange editor of the *Niagara Index* is full of grief. Bitterly he laments "the degeneracy into which the exchange department of college papers has sunk," and sadly longs for the valiant days of old. Thus he complains: "As we glance over the files and note what the ex. men of ten, fifteen, and twenty years ago were, we are forced to sigh for the weaklings who of late have conducted these departments. The sharpened stylus of the days of yore has been bartered for a shears, and a paste-pot stands where once stood the mixture of acid and ink. The tents, once held by giants whose souls were up in arms and eager for the fray, are now occupied by favor-currying boys who seek peace through honeyed words of flattery. The bold criticism and bolder defense have passed into history. Pungent wit and stinging satire are now unknown." Now we do not question for an instant the honesty of our friend's opinion. His department is conducted in perfect accordance with this idea. We know from experience that he is always on the war-path. But is it not just possible that in pursuing his idea he goes too far? No criticism, however severe, should be unkind. Yet some of the criticisms of the *Index* for the last year have been not only unkind but also unjust. Indeed in some instances they have degenerated to little better than verbal "scraps." Now it seems to us that a few words

of generous commendation are far better. Praise is quite as likely to produce a good effect as censure, and it is much more agreeable. And certainly the college papers conducted by the "favor-currying boys" of the present are of far greater merit than those conducted by the "giants" of the past. So we would beg our friend to use a little less "acid" in his ink. It will have a salutary influence on his own paper and possibly on some others.

In the *Undergraduate* for October Professor Wheeler of Cornell University thus describes the "typical Cornell student": "He need not be rich. He is probably not of patrician descent. As between city, town and country he is most likely to represent the smaller towns or villages. He is manly, strong, decided. In physique he is rugged and may well be an athlete. There must be nothing effeminate about him. Of all things there must be nothing about him to encourage a suspicion that he locates the omphalos of the world's hope outside of America. He is a hard worker. He is energetic rather than contemplative, business-like rather than refined. He has appropriated little, perhaps some would say too little, of that common theory of college residence whereby it is a sort of bureau-drawer in which pears are laid away to ripen. He is thoroughly in touch with modern life. He is an optimist and a progressist. He is reached more by good enthusiasms

than by criticism. While representing a mean between the eastern and western spirit, he leans toward Chicago rather than toward Boston. In religion he is not an indifferentist or an agnostic, and yet he may always be trusted to take a broad view. Cant he abhors, and the fanatic and reactionary cannot move him." If the above description is correct the Cornell student must be decidedly a first-rate fellow to know.

Wesleyan, like Bates, is beginning to feel uneasy with respect to the increase of lady students. On this matter the *Argus* contains the following: "One of the striking—many are ready to say, alarming—features of the new class is the unusually large proportion of ladies. The *Argus* has often expressed its belief in the principle of co-education, but it must confess to a certain feeling of sympathy with the large number of students and

professors who express the hope that the proportion of ladies may never grow as large as it is in several other colleges, upon which we look as 'awful examples.' Wesleyan has always been distinctively a men's college, and there is a strong feeling that it should remain so."

A recent number of the *Campus* contains in full an article that was published some little time since in the *STUDENT*. Due credit was given to our college paper and of course we were highly gratified that one of our students should be thus honored. But would it not have been better to have devoted the space to some home production? It would at least have given us a better idea of the work of the Rochester students.

"Utah and The Mormons" and "Morality in College Life" are the subjects of two excellent articles in the October *Speculum*.

College Notes.

In olden times the lovelorn youth,
Who held life not worth living,
Would plunge a dagger in his heart,
And die, his love forgiving.

The modern youth who, soured by love,
Seeks shorter paths to heaven,
His sweater dons, eats raw beef steak,
And joins the foot-ball 'leven.

—*Sequoia*.

Cornell has 512 free scholarships, which aggregate \$150,000.

Last year the United States spent \$155,000,000 for education, Great Britain \$35,000,000, and France \$25,000,000.

A physical examination is required at the University of Pennsylvania for students training for athletic teams.

The alumni of Harvard are to establish a magazine devoted especially to the affairs of their *Alma Mater*.

Rutgers is to have a \$50,000 gymnasium.

Girard College has an endowment of \$12,500,000.

The rule requiring church attendance has been dispensed with at Adelbert.

Over her lover she pleadingly leaned,
 And he promised for her dear sake,
 As he lay in the hammock and saw her tears,
 Not another drop to take.

With a thrill of joy the fair girl sprang
 To his side with a loving look.
 The vow was broken—likewise the rope,
 For another drop he took.

—*Brunonian*.

The Chautauqua class of 1889 had 10,000 members.

Twenty-four per cent. of Wesleyan graduates are in the ministry.

The State University of Nebraska has an enrollment of 1,500 students this fall.

Two Chinese women have matriculated at the University of Michigan.

Over four thousand American college men are said to be preparing for the ministry.

The University of Virginia had seventeen representatives in the fifty-second Congress.

Columbia College began her one-hundred and fortieth year this fall, with 1,800 students enrolled.

The Freshman class at Amherst numbers 150, the largest in the history of the college.

During President Dwight's administration of seven years \$4,000,000 has been given to Yale.

The University of Chicago cleared about \$40,000 this summer by renting its dormitories to World's Fair visitors.

At the University of Wisconsin a rank of 85 per cent. in daily or term work exempts a student from examination.

The University of Michigan has a Japanese Students' Association with a membership of thirteen.

Kentucky universities have forbidden all college sports on account of the alleged gambling connected with them.

Smith College is about to publish a paper which will be something of a novelty in the college world, from the fact that it will contain no advertisements.

The Freshman class at Brown this year is 170. This is said to be the largest entering class in any of the New England colleges outside of Harvard and Yale.

ANTICLIMAX.

A Senior is pouring out eloquence rare,
 In conclave profound of his class;
 The voice of the janitor breaks on the air,
 "Will some one please turn off the gas?"

—*The Oberlin Review*.

The *Harvard Crimson* has the finest plant of any college paper in the world. It claims to be the only morning college daily that is sent away by the early morning mail.

The following is a comparison made by an exchange of the relative incomes of some of the large universities in the United States:

Harvard University,	\$987,000
Columbia College,	650,000
Yale University,	532,000
Cornell University,	500,000
Michigan University,	400,000
California University,	270,000
Wisconsin University,	270,000
Massachusetts Institute Technology,	267,000
Iowa University,	125,000

The Harvard summer school had 301 students enrolled.

Thirty young women have applied for admission to Yale's post-graduate department. Eight of them are from Smith.



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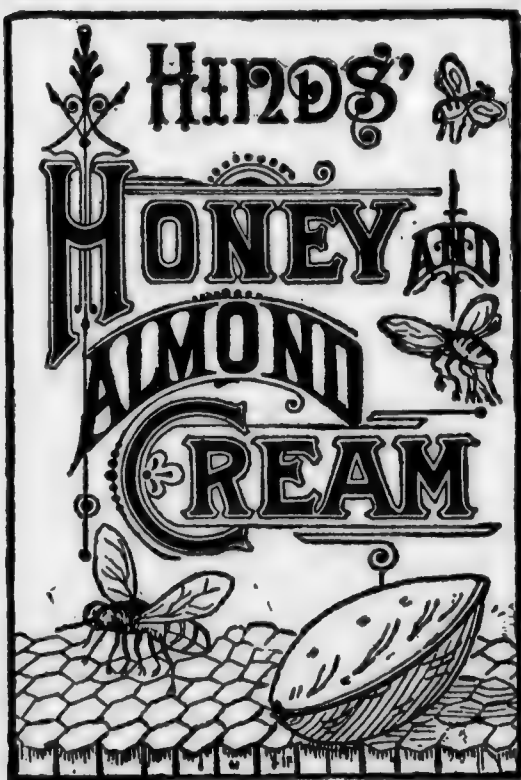
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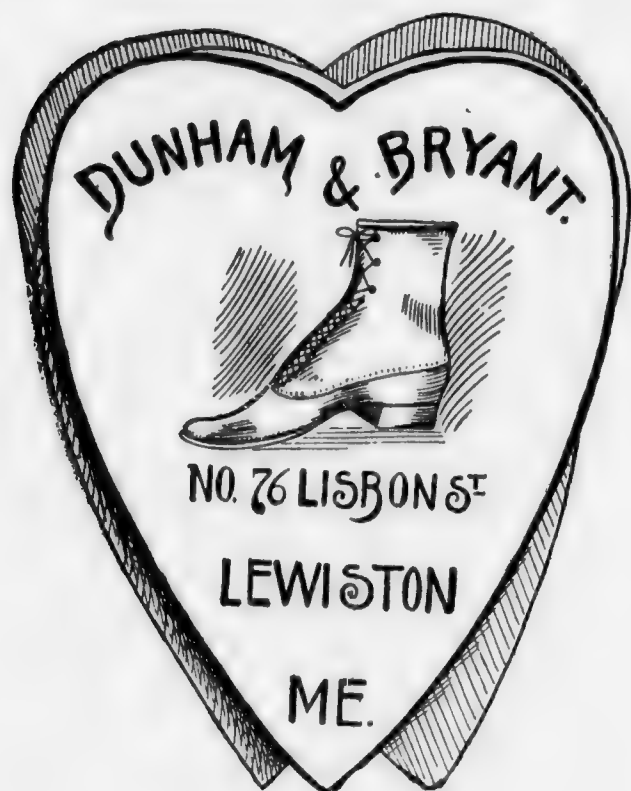
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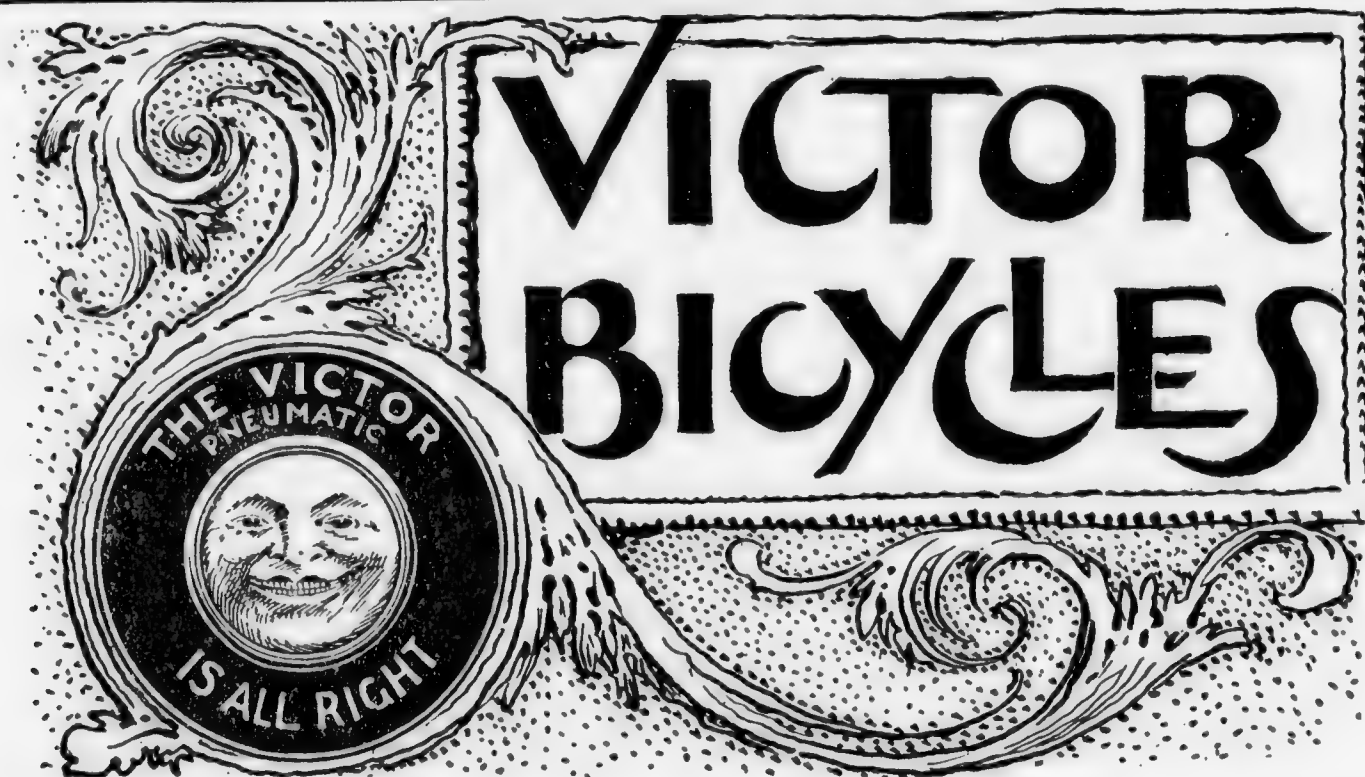
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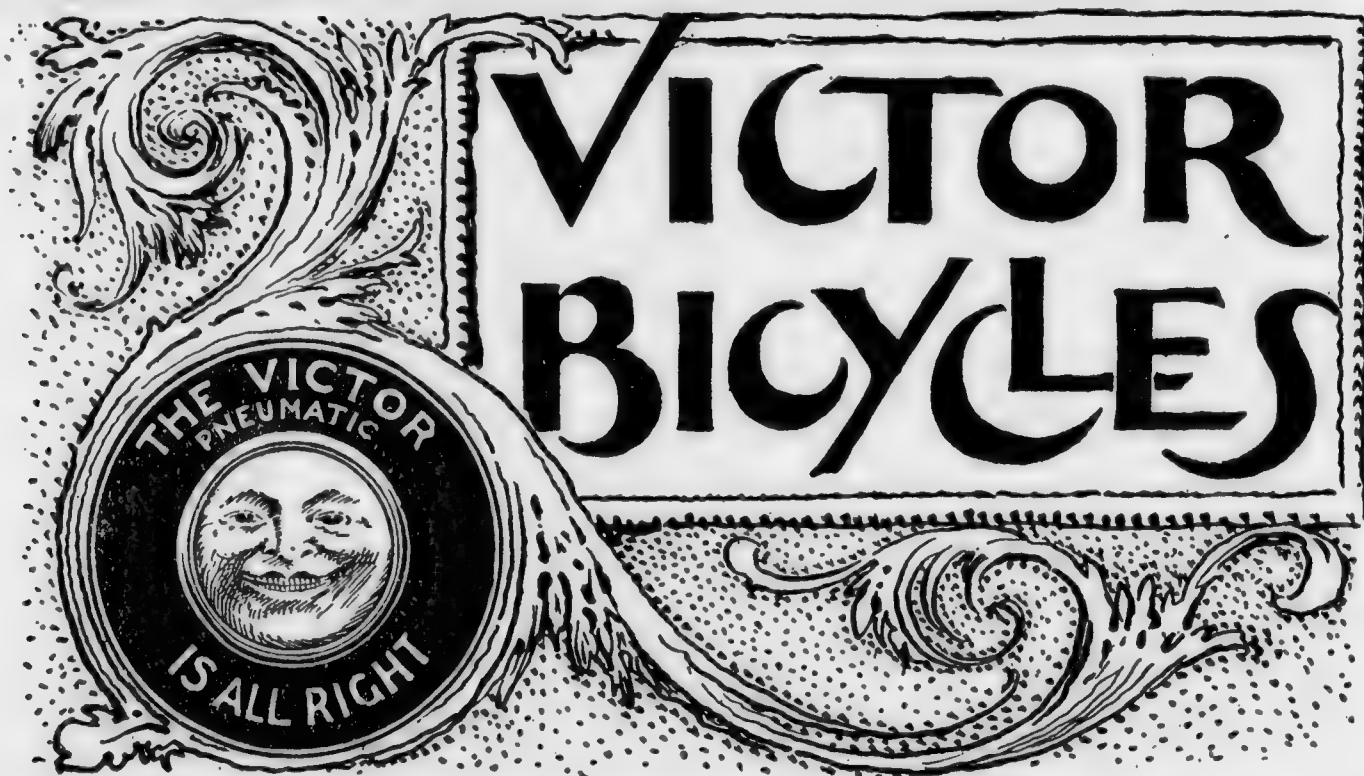
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Editorial.

THERE is much pleasure in a year's service upon the editorial board of the STUDENT. There is still more of something that might come under the general head of experience. To combine a newspaper and a literary magazine in one monthly periodical is no light task. But the work is both practical and profitable, and could not be expected to be easy. We wish to em-

phasize the fact that it ought to be more practical and more profitable. It might give men experience almost equal to actual newspaper work. Such departures as this would require would also insure the most readable and, we believe, the most creditable volume ever issued from Bates. The demand in all business, and especially in journalism, is for ideas—something new and unique.

It is far from us to commend the general policy of the modern newspaper; but the eagerness of the current press for something new is commendable and might be advantageously applied to college and literary magazines. The same departments, similarly handled from year to year, become dry. What is a good feature this year might be stale next year. Remembering that the great mission of the *STUDENT* is to represent the highest interests of Bates, we hope that the succeeding boards will bear in mind that the work can be made more beneficial to themselves and, at the same time, more eminently serviceable to the institution, by the study of practical newspaper methods and the application of practical newspaper ideas.

SEVERAL months ago the *STUDENT* emphasized the need of a Chair of History and Economics at Bates, and we were gratified to hear that the matter was proposed by a prominent member of the faculty at a business meeting of the trustees last summer. It was side-tracked, however, to make way for something else. So, lest it remain side-tracked for lack of agitation, we wish once more to call the attention of every loyal friend of Bates to this subject, which is deemed important enough to receive special attention at the hands of a large number of supervisors in our cities and rural towns. Nearly every country high school is now provided with some means of teaching the duties of American citizenship to its students. This fact has a double application to the case in question, for not only is the

student called upon to practice the duties of citizenship upon leaving college, but he must teach these duties to others in the public schools. And, after all, a college needs men more than buildings, or books and paintings. The helpful personality of Mark Hopkins attracted Garfield, the student, more than any number of fine buildings could have done.

We are getting along comfortably with the buildings that we have, but every student realizes that certain portions of our course of study are far from satisfactory and are so because we need more teachers. We do not write this in a spirit of criticism, but only hoping that some may be brought to see the matter as we do, and thus a few more be added to the rank and file of those who are working for this much-needed reform.

WE once heard Phillips Brooks, in an address before college students, warn them against the fault of selfishness as one that they should guard against. To a careful observer familiar with the tendencies of college life the great preacher's warning seems timely and needful. The student devoting his energies for a series of years to the cultivation of himself, and perhaps hearing constantly the ill-advised admonition of flattering friends to achieve a great place in life, is apt to have a narrow and distorted view of the world. We know that there are as noble examples of generosity and self-forgetfulness in college as anywhere; but we fear that most of us need to be on our guard against a tendency to

make our own interests look very large to ourselves, and those of the rest of the world very small. There has been no better example in recent years for us to imitate than the great-hearted man we have already alluded to. There is no more desirable result to be attained by a four years' course of training than a small measure of his broad sympathy and benevolence.

No impossible nor ideal qualities are demanded from us, but there are many channels right around us for the exercise of practical unselfishness. If we are to be public-spirited men out of college, let us be the same here. Let us give our moral support—and financial, if we are able—to all worthy movements. Let us belong to the different associations of the college, and pay our dues. When we are called upon for a favor, whether it be to guard the ball ground or to lend a lampful of kerosene, let us do it with cheerful readiness; do it not solely for the benefit of the one asking the favor, but to prevent ourselves from becoming narrow and selfish.

ANOTHER term will shortly be upon us. It is the term which must decide, in a large measure, who shall be victors on the diamond next June. For it is the good, hard winter's training and practice upon which our base-ball honors depend. Cannot something, then, be done to straighten out the present unfortunate muddle in base-ball matters? Surely it is high time for the honor of Bates that some sort of measures be taken to settle the difficulties. We lost several good men

with '93; we gained several good men with '97. But it is not enough that we have strong individual players. There is need also of the best possible team work. Unless we have men who play the game for all it is worth, and play the game together, we need not expect to down Bowdoin and Colby and Maine State College next spring. But under the present circumstances the prospect of anything like team work seems decidedly slim. One claimant of the captaincy and his supporters pull one way; the other claimant with his faction another way. And no one seems to take the initiative in bringing about a union of both parties. Now why not lay aside all personal and society feeling for a while and try to do the square thing? Let a committee be appointed to investigate the rival claims and honestly decide between them or let both claimants withdraw in favor of some third man. It seems to the writer that this is about the only way of bringing matters to a settlement. If any one thinks of a better plan let him bring it before the association at the beginning of next term. At any rate let us straighten the matter in some manner, and then "play ball."

THO the business man, which is more valuable, a college education or a four years' practical business experience? The fact that this question is so frequently asked and so vigorously discussed by the most practical men of the day proves that, while the college does much, it cannot do everything necessary for success. We sometimes hear the expression, "an educated

fool," applied to an impractical college graduate. What does this man lack? He lacks the power to observe and to profit by observation.

The impractical man may have in his mind a systematized record of the facts presented to him during his course. He may have acquired the faculty of rapid and accurate reading, of appropriating to himself the valuable and of omitting the worthless, and still lack the better faculty of reading circumstances and men. He is like a store-house, he produces nothing, simply preserves from destruction. The practical man not only preserves but produces. He is like a great factory, continually adding to the store of human wealth or of human good. His eye is ever open to examine the new or the strange. His tongue ever shapes the word "why."

Such a man was Franklin who, with his own house-key, unlocked something of the mystery of the universe and then placed upon the lightning its fetters of eternal servitude. But we do not need to multiply examples. The men who have benefited themselves and the world are they who have made auxiliary the teaching of the schools and who have been on the alert to obtain the better education of practical experience. Ingersoll says man must mingle his thought with his labor, and he is right. Together, they can accomplish miracles. Thought alone, or, what is worse, knowledge without thought, is of little value.

THERE are no students who would not consider themselves insulted if called untruthful, and yet, perfect sin-

cerity is as rare a trait of character as it is admirable.

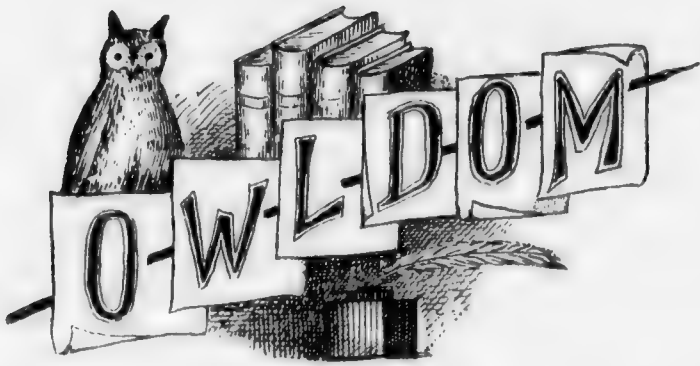
In addition to the little affair about the cherry tree, we have it said of Washington that he never allowed himself to vary from the exact truth, even in jest. This is so common a fault with many that they almost cease to regard it as such. But all will agree that it is not the highest vein of wit and humor which requires falsehood to carry it through.

There are very few who do not, in some way, allow themselves to habitually practice deception. This is sometimes called shrewdness, but if that name is correct, then shrewdness is to be avoided, for no one can practice it without losing influence just to that extent.

The man who is sincere in everything, who is true to his real self and his highest purposes in all he does and in all he says, bears the stamp of honesty and frankness on his countenance, and universally wins from his associates their respect, admiration, and confidence, prizes worth having before all other honors. This is the reward of sincerity, a result no other virtues can gain if perfect sincerity be lacking.

The library of the University of Wisconsin is used at night by the students, the building being thoroughly lighted by electricity.

Dartmouth has graduated forty college presidents, two hundred college professors, sixty members of Congress and twenty-four governors.—*Ex.*



THE Owl was silent last month. Had he said anything he would have been in danger of saying too much. But now the smoke of battle has cleared away and the Owl wishes to say a word upon college discipline, which, difficult under any circumstances, as we are aware, is intensely perplexing in a small institution where class feeling is strong and often unreasonable, and where students are fewer and less easily to be spared in punishment of an offense, whether such punishment be called for by the intrinsic deserts of the student or advisable as a reformatory example.

We hardly realize the prejudicial effect of broadcast publication of college troubles. Traveling in different parts of the state just after the recent Sophomore suspension, a frequent inquiry from interested citizens was: "What is the matter with you people down there, any way?" These practical men protest that there is something wrong when there is a perennial outbreak of exactly the same disease. And so it would seem. Now, let it be frankly admitted that in the developed stage of the recent case we believe that the ultimatum of the faculty was fair and judicious. But whether that ultimatum might not have been diverted by sufficient tact is a question. So, some lay blame upon the executive function, one alleging

severity, another leniency. We attribute it to neither of these. We hold the very bottom policy of the college to blame. No set of men could keep things smooth or make peace permanent when all the by-ways leading to suspension are labeled in loud and tempting letters. You do not keep a patient contented by enumerating the luscious and hearty treats he might enjoy were he privileged or had he the reckless hardihood. So, you do not restrain romping youth by pointing out the grassy fields of forbidden sports, which might have been his but are not. Remove the "Anna Law" and several comrades, and you will have removed the principal cause of their violation. Then, for looks, remove some few that are too obsolete to be reverted to by the faculty and too insipid to be broken by the students.

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Such a course, we believe, would promote a good feeling at home and inspire a confidence abroad which would be to Bates the blessing of her life.

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Proud fathers will not send their sons to a college from which they are sure to be suspended during the Sophomore year—when the special attractions are offered—whether for the boy's special badness or for the college's extra goodness.

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The Owl's sharp eyes detected the following letter which was lying among some old rubbish in one of the Senior's rooms the other day. It was thusly:

FRIEND:—

I have expressed your pants this P.M. Please send mine as soon as you can.

YRS., _____.

What on earth were they doing with each other's pants? I asked the Senior about it, but he wouldn't tell. At the bare mention of the word "pants" an injured expression crept over his countenance and he turned sorrowfully away. I tried it again in softer language and asked him how his nether apparel and that of his friend alumnus had become so inconceivably mixed up in a case of mistaken identity, but it wouldn't go.

The subject was evidently a sad one; and as, with a determined look in his eyes, the Senior reached for his gun, which was hanging on the wall, the Owl left without making further inquiries.

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But just imagine that worthy Senior parading on exhibition in a pair of misfit pants! Wouldn't you like to have camped on his track with a Kodak?

Literary.

A SYLVAN ROMANCE.

BY WILDIE THAYER, '96.

"COME, Ned, it is time we started for home; and haven't I a fine collection of ferns?" The speaker was a young girl of about eighteen years of age.

The picture upon which we gaze is one of the finest to be seen in New England. It is in the heart of a large forest; huge trees make a rich background; on one side a pretty little brook sparkles gaily, for the day is sunny, the sky almost cloudless. But it is not the rural scenery which makes the picture so attractive; it is the characters in the foreground. It would be hard to find a lovelier girl than Edith Forest. She is not one of your romantic heroines with lily-white complexion and delicate waist; she is a perfect picture of health; health is emphasized in her every movement. Her figure is graceful; there is a freedom in her motions showing that she is a lover of the open air. Her face, though not

beautiful, is sweet and attractive. Her cheeks and lips are glowing; her features are good; her eyes are brown, and her hair, as the sun peeping through the trees overhead, shines upon it, shows rich, golden gleams.

Look at her closely and she cannot fail to please you. She is just a lovely picture of health. On one arm she carries a small basket, and as she speaks the words with which our story opens, she lifts the cover of the basket to show her companion the ferns she has been collecting, for Edith is a student of nature. Her companion and brother, a robust boy of ten years, answers gaily, "Yes, Edie, they are pretty, and now look at my collection." As he speaks, he opens the cover of a fish basket which hangs from his shoulder and shows a rare collection of trout. "Haven't I done well?" His sister opens her fine eyes reproachfully. "Oh, Ned," she returned, "you know the fisheries are private property."

"So is the whole forest, Edie, and isn't it lucky for us that Sir Harold Raleigh is away? When he returns we can't come here any more."

"We ought not to have come here to-day, Ned, we will not again; but I suppose we may as well take our collections home now we have them," and the girl laughed, showing two rows of faultless teeth.

Ned laughed. "Certainly, I wouldn't leave the trout here for anything," and gathering up his fishing tackle, he led the way down the mossy path. Edith followed, stopping now and then to pick some botanical specimen.

They had not gone far when they came suddenly face to face with a young man who seemed bewildered and not to know which way to turn. "Have you lost your way?" Ned inquired abruptly. "Yes," the gentleman answered, addressing Edith, and looking admiringly into her sweet face. "I am a stranger in these parts and have wandered too far from the highway. Will you please direct me out of the woods?"

Edith flushed slightly; she could not mistake the look of bold admiration in his eyes, and answered sternly: "I suppose you know, sir, that this forest is private property, and that you have been trespassing." A look of intense amusement overspread the man's face as he returned, "I did not know," then, in a lower tone, "your property, miss?" "No," Edith answered sharply, "it is the property of one Sir Harold Raleigh; he is away at present, but rumor says he is to return soon, so, for your own sake, I advise you not

to come here again." The young man smiled and said: "Thanking you for your timely advice, I promise you I will not come here again without permission from the owner of the forest; and now, will you please direct me from the place where I have no right to be?"

"With pleasure," answered Edith, then she led the way, while Ned and the stranger followed. Edith was a brisk walker, and ere long the man, turning to Ned, said: "We must hasten to overtake your companion; she seems to be a good pedestrian."

"I don't know about that," said Ned, "but my sister is a regular trotter." The young man laughed, but Ned continued, "Never mind about Edith, she's all right, and I can show you to the road just as well as she can." But before they reached the highway the young and handsome stranger had learned all he could possibly wish to know about Edith and her home, for Ned, unasked, had told him all of the family history he could remember, and, on the other hand, he had impressed Ned as a very fine fellow indeed, so much so that Ned said confidentially, "Edie won't like it if she should hear of it, but if you won't tell anybody I'll take you fishing some day; there are beauties in the little brook up there." The young man did not answer for a while; at last he said: "I would do as my sister wanted me to, my boy," and Ned flushed as he said, "That's so. Edith's a good girl." Then they parted, Ned telling the young man where he lived, and the young man promising to call upon Ned on a day not far distant.

Ralph Forest was a widower. Edith and Ned were his only children. He had but lately moved to this pleasant little town for rest and retirement. Edith was his idol. She seemed to him to grow every day more like her mother, and he was dreading the time when another should supplant him in her heart. Ralph Forest was not a wealthy man; yet, by careful management, he had given Edith a liberal education, and she well repaid him in love and gratitude. There could not be a pleasanter home than the home of the Forests. It was a model of warmth and coziness. Mr. Forest was a kind and indulgent parent, and was nearly idolized by his children.

But, to return to Edith. She reached home some time before Ned and at once proceeded to prepare tea.

When Ned entered he was flushed and excited. "Oh, Edith," he said, "that man's a jolly fellow! He said he'd come and see me some day." Edith smiled, and, strange to say, seemed herself quite interested in the subject. "Who is he, Ned? Did he tell you his name?" "I declare, Edie, I never thought to ask him, but I liked him first-rate." "Where does he live?"

"I never thought to ask him that, either, but he's a jolly fellow." "Well," laughed Edith, "all I know about him is that he is a jolly fellow, and no doubt you told him everything you knew." "Oh, no, Edie, we didn't talk much. He called you a pedestrian; what is that, Edie?" It is a person who walks," said Edith, laughing merrily. "Now run, Ned, to call papa for tea; I am sure we all are hungry."

Ned scampered away and soon returned, followed by his father.

Ralph Forest impresses us favorably, a tall, portly man with a fine face and noble bearing. He seats himself at the table and asks his children if they enjoyed their ramble. "Oh, ever so much, papa," Edith answered, pouring his tea for him. "We went to the Raleigh forest, and we had an adventure as well." "Tell me about it," returned Mr. Forest, interested at once in what interested his children. Edith looked at Ned—his eyes were shining with interest—and said: "You may tell papa, Ned; I know you want to."

Thus, at liberty, Ned gave a glowing account of their meeting the young man and of guiding him out of the woods, and ended by saying, "he's a jolly fellow, pa."

"I dare say, and who is he? Where does he live?" "I forgot to ask him, but he's coming to see me some day, then I'll find out."

"My children," said Mr. Forest, in a low, earnest tone, "I am glad you enjoyed your ramble and were able thus to guide this stranger, but I advise you not to go to this forest again; you know it is private property and you have no right there."

Edith flushed. "We will not go again, papa," she replied obediently.

One afternoon, a few days later, after Edith had finished her household duties and had seated herself to work on a bit of embroidery, there was a violent rap at the door.

"Now, Ned," she called out sharply, "I can stand no more of this nonsense; you have made me drop my

work twice already, thinking some one besides yourself was at the door. I will not go again." Then, in a persuasive voice, "Now come in, there's a good boy, and read to me." No answer, only another knock—this time less violent. "Very well, Ned," said Edith, rising, "if you must persist in troubling me, I'll speak to father," and Edith was about to pass the half-opened door, when she saw—not Ned, but—the handsome stranger.

Edith flushed, but invited the young man to enter and before she could recover from her embarrassment, Ned came bounding into the room. "Hello!" he screamed. "I saw you coming! I'm glad to see you! and oh, Edith didn't like it because I didn't ask you your name the other day. What is it?"

The young man shook hands with the boy and said: "To be sure, I haven't yet introduced myself. My name is Harold Raleigh."

If a ball of darkness had fallen from the sun Edith could not have been more surprised. Her still burning face turned crimson, but she controlled herself sufficiently to accept his proffered hand and say, shyly, "I did not know who you were, else I should not have warned you from your own forest."

The young man answered lightly, "I hope you will not let that simple mistake embarrass you. I shall be pleased to have you and your brother go to the forest whenever you care to do so. You, no doubt, can direct me to many points of interest there, for I have been away from home so much that I am not at all familiar with the

place, and Ned, my boy, we will go fishing there some day."

"Well, well," cried Ned, "if it isn't funny! You Sir Harold, and Edith told you you were trespassing. Oh, Edie, won't pa laugh?" And the boy laughed in a hearty, boyish way that caused Edith and Sir Harold to join him. Sir Harold soon took his departure, for it was plainly to be seen that Edith could not control her mortification, yet, within a few days, he called again.

The summer passed quickly away; but, before it had half passed, Sir Harold confessed, to himself, that he had never seen a sweeter or more charming girl than Edith Forest; consequently he fell deeply in love with her, and he did not seem to be an unwelcome caller at Edith's home.

The gates of autumn were now swung wide open and Sir Harold must soon return to pursue his college course, but he could not return in suspense. He loved Edith Forest and he must know if she loved him.

It happened in this way: He was taking his usual morning ramble, when, passing a bend in the road, he overheard a conversation which caused him to fear the worst. The speakers were two women who were picking berries by the roadside. One of them said: "I wonder what George Wilson will think of Edith Forest's actions?" "I don't know," the other replied. "George is a good fellow; he thinks a sight of Edith. I reckon there'll be trouble for young Raleigh when he returns, and I hear he's coming home soon."

Harold heard no more. He scorned

to listen, neither was he a man to give way to idle fancies. "I will ask Edith who this George Wilson is," he resolved, "and if he is her lover I will leave her, though I love her dearly." Just then he saw Edith walking through the field. He rightly guessed that she was going to his forest. He took a short cut across an opposite path and, as it happened, they met in the very spot where they first saw each other.

Good mornings were exchanged, then Harold said: "I heard a conversation this morning and the persons conversing were talking of you."

"Of me?" inquired Edith pleasantly. "What did they say of me?" "They spoke of a young man who loved you. They called his name George Wilson. Who is this George Wilson, Edith?"

Edith, seeing the anxious look in his eyes, blushed as she said: "He is a cousin of mine who seems almost as dear as a brother. He is a sailor, but will soon return home. He does love me; we all love him."

Suddenly the sun shines brighter, the birds sing sweeter. Truly the sunshine, the musical brook, the trees, the bright-winged birds, all combine to make a fine view, but it is the characters in the foreground that make the picture so interesting. But come away, reader, we have no right to remain longer.

A VISIT TO MOUNT AUBURN CEMETERY.

"IT is indeed a beautiful resting-place for the dust of scholarly men, whose souls have gone to learn from God's own lips the deeper revela-

tions which long years of laborious thought and perseverance in the study of nature's secrets, long years of speculation and argument, have failed to make known to them." This thought suggests itself on our visiting the final resting-place of some of New England's profoundest thinkers.

Mount Auburn is one of the most beautiful cemeteries of the United States; for nothing has been spared that wealth, time, and taste can devise to add to the beauty of this "city of the dead."

As one enters the gate, the large palms, waving in the warm July breeze, the great purplish hydrangeas, and, occasionally, an orange tree, with its half-ripened fruit hanging to a branch, the many-colored and many-shaped beds of flowers, the tame red squirrels frisking about and peering out half-shyly at the new comer—all these varied pictures suggest life, not death. But the carefully chiseled monuments of marble and granite, the dark and white slabs with their inscriptions, a mound showing that its turf has been disturbed recently, these remind us that "in the midst of life we are in death."

Soon, however, we turn from this scene, to seek the graves of those whose names have become famous in the realms of science, literature, and art. Broad, graveled avenues, wide enough for the carriage to pass, radiate from the gateway and traverse from base to summit the gradual ascent of the mountain. Darting out irregularly from these avenues and alongside the lots which are smoothly-graded green mounds, are little foot-paths called after the names

of the flowers. Following the direction given by the newspaper clipping we have, we turn into one of these paths and, after going some distance, come to the grave of Lowell. It is at the foot of a slope and almost hidden from view by a tall evergreen tree overshadowing it—only a plain dark-colored slab, simply marked with the poet's name. How fitting a burial place—in the city of his birth and where, as a boy, he loved to roam over the fields and pastures, and perhaps, whispers the imagination, on this very spot, when Mount Auburn was only a wooded pasture, the youth came seeking the first flowers of spring, or lay listening to the birds singing overhead.

Soon, however, we retrace our steps and follow the leading of the broad avenue, until we come to the grave of Longfellow. The memorial itself is noticeable for its simplicity of design and workmanship—the smooth surface of the sarcophagus-like stone being inscribed merely with the poet's last name. No words or sentences commemorating his virtues are needed—he was simply the people's poet, whose songs, coming from his heart, have reached after and found a dwelling-place in the hearts of the learned and unlettered alike. Before leaving we cannot help noticing how pleasant is the site of the grave, here on this knoll, overlooking the little lake below and commanding a fine view of nature's scenery, where the sun's rays, lingering tenderly, always strike.

As we leave Longfellow's grave and pass along, our attention is called to the elaborate design of some of the mon-

uments, many of which must have cost a great deal of time and money. Loitering in our way we came, almost unexpectedly, upon the monument erected to Choate. It is of beautiful red stone, large and elegant in design. Standing, as it does, at the junction of two avenues, it is very conspicuous—"as in death so in life;" for his wonderful intellect, his impressive personality and deep sympathy, his appreciation of the noble and patriotic, made him conspicuous in life as one of our greatest scholars and orators.

Next we visit the grave of Channing. It is marked by a plain marble slab inscribed with the date of his birth and death. Here, surrounded by his kindred, he sleeps, of whom it was said: "The superior light of his mind shed a pure, bright gleam on everything that came from it." After some hunting we find the lot where Bishop Brooks is buried. No stone had then been erected—only a vacant space marked his grave. Awhile we linger here, with thought too full for utterance, of the noble tributes paid to him.

After a long search we find the grave of Agassiz. It is marked by a huge boulder, from his native Switzerland, we are told. It is situated near the top of the mountain, as I remember, almost hidden from view by the trees and bushes around it. Very suggestive it is, to us, of his love for nature's works, and while contemplating it, we are reminded of that other monument to his name, not far away, which he so generously left for the furtherance of the studies he left uncompleted.

Not far from here rests Edwin Booth,

who has left to us a noble example of the possibilities awaiting those who follow the profession of the actor. Before leaving, we visit the grave of Fanny Fern. The stone is of very appropriate design, with ferns ingeniously wrought out of the marble.

After visiting the graves of Dorothea Dix and others, we make the ascent of the observatory on the summit. From here we get a fine view of Boston and the suburbs. Against the sky we see the State House dome sparkling in the summer sunshine. Off to the left a tall tower arises, which we conclude to be Bunker Hill monument. Then we draw our gaze to objects nearer, and, looking down upon these silent witnesses of

life spent here in time, like one who has "gone before us," "we are impressed with the broad sameness of the human lot which never alters in the main headings of its history—hunger and labor, seed-time and harvest, love and death."

Soon, however, the stiffening breeze makes us aware of ourselves. We tie down the brims of our hats and quickly making the descent of the tower, we hasten down the mountain side, pass out through the gate just in time to catch the homeward-bound car. Thus we leave Mount Auburn behind, not, however, without the feeling that truly a day spent with the dead is an inspiration to the living.

Poets' Corner.

AMBITION'S HILL.

Impatient soul, on yonder height,
There thy air-castle stands:
Around it floats a dazzling light,
Within are fairy bands.
The way is long, and drear, and slow;
But fame and wealth are there!
Come, gird thy armor on and go,
And gain thy castle fair!

Why linger in the vale and sigh?
Others have reached the goal.
Just lay thy fears aside, and fly,
Haste thee, thou trembling soul.
The lowly vale hath nothing grand,
Hath nothing great or new.
But toil and reach the airy land,
And find a glorious view.

Thou seest the storm-cloud brooding o'er,
Thou tremblest at the sight,
Thou hearest the latent thunder roar,
But—see the stars of light;

And know, that he who climbs the hill,
Who conquers in the fight,
And journeys towards the storm-clouds,
Will be nearer stars of light.

Courage, my soul, ascend the hill,
Bravo! you're on the track!
Let thirst for fame thy being thrill,
And do not turn thee back!
Faster, oh fast, impatient soul!
Thy castle gleams afar;
Nearer, ah nearer to the goal,
Follow the guiding star.

The storms roar, the lightning gleams,
The way is dark and long,
Dreary the toilsome journey seems,
Oh soul, be very strong.
Onward, heed not the chasm deep,
Surmount them, soul, be brave,
And journey on while thousands sleep
And thousand others rave.

Hurrah! a supermundane light
 Seems to enclose thee, soul,
 Dispelled are clouds, and storm, and night,
 For thou hast reached thy goal.
 The weary way thou hast o'ercome;
 Now, gaze adown the vale;
 Around thee fame and praises hum,
 But hear thy followers wail!

Come, rest thee in thy castle fair,
 Let weapons round thee fly,
 Look calmly on, thy home is rare,
 Thy resting-place is high.
 Thou gazest down the weary way,
 Adown *Ambition's Hill*.
 Oh soul, why dost thou gaze and say,
 "I'm discontented still."

—W. T., '96.

A LESSON FROM LIFE.

A youth was roaming through the spring-time
 walks of life,
 With present love, and hope, and joy his life
 was filled.
 No sorrows pressed upon his soul, nor doubts,
 nor fears—
 He envied manhood's strength and skill, but
 only these.

The youth became a man. The strength and
 skill were his.
 The massive brow, the locks of Jove, pro-
 claimed his power.
 Ambition, like a vampire, at his vitals gnawed,
 And from his veins the love, and peace, and
 joy sucked out.

The mystic laurel wreath of fame he longed
 to wear,
 And wield the despot's wand of power o'er
 conquered man.
 Long years he struggled on. His wish was
 gratified,
 But age had come meanwhile and weakness
 in its train.

And lo, the laurel leaves were buried as in
 snow.
 Too soon the wreath of fame had withered on
 his brow,
 And, like a broken branch, it seemed to drift
 away
 On silver waves to that unknown eternity.

Our brightest, gladdest days we yield without
 a thought,
 And reach with yearning haste for manhood's
 toil and care.
 With rash and foolish hand we break the
 golden cord
 That binds us to our better selves and holds
 us there.

Ambition calls us on, its bubble prize to win,
 A prize that touch, or breath, or near approach
 destroys.
 How true the tale! Life's lesson few can read
 aright.
 With hurrying feet, we pass the golden prime
 of youth.

It gives the struggling soul nor joy, nor peace,
 nor rest,
 Till hope becomes a phantom, life becomes a
 dream;
 Till silver waves of time break on our wrinkled
 brows
 And wash our honors off and bear them far
 away.

—J. B. H., '94.

SEEKING.

A perfume sweet, from the river's bank,
 Was wafted o'er fields by the breeze,
 Over the bushes and grasses rank
 And under the o'er-hanging trees.

Again and again by the water blue
 The flower with the perfume was sought;
 But still it hid itself from view
 In the bushes and briers wrought.

A purpose, full noble in its intent,
 Was wafted oft through the mind,
 Midst many thoughts it came and went.
 As the perfume borne by the wind.

Again and again through weary days
 The deed, unattained, haunts the soul;
 For still its beauty, by devious ways,
 Leads not to the perfect whole.

The fragrance of the flowers we breathe,
 The beauty of the deed we see,
 Oh, may time's silent fingers weave
 A day when both attained may be.

N. G. W., '95.

College News and Interests.

LOCALS.

VALE.

At last we abandon our quill and retire,
Our successor is now in the swim;
He knows some old jokes, is an original liar—
Enough! We will leave you with him.

The campus is now deserted.

A new tub has been put in the bathroom.

W. J. Malvern, '96, is preaching at Loudon, N. H.

A. P. Norton, '96, is clerking in his father's office.

A. W. Bailey, '97, is clerking at the Boston Tea Store.

R. W. Emerson, '97, spent two weeks visiting relatives in Ohio.

Miss B. W. Gerrish, '94, spent a part of her vacation visiting at A. W. Walker's, Malden, Mass.

D. F. Field, '94, is clerking for Horace Partridge & Co., Boston.

W. W. Harris, '94, has supplied for pastors in Auburn and Augusta.

A large number of the Seniors have elected Chemistry for next term.

E. O. McAllister, '96, is clerking in Moody & Moulton's shoe store, Auburn.

L. J. Brackett, '94, is assisting his brother, editor of the *Phillips Phonograph*.

Miss Dora E. Roberts, '95, was at Milton Mills, N. H., visiting relatives for a part of the vacation.

Frank L. Callahan, ex-'94, is meeting with marked success in music. His orchestra is very popular.

F. S. Wakefield, '95, manager for the next year's *STUDENT*, has had good success in soliciting advertisements.

A new ceiling has been put in the Reading-Room. The hard-wood floor, with new paper and paint, will make it attractive.

J. C. Woodman, '94, only spent a week at home. He can be found at his old place in the library every day between 11 A.M. and 12 M.

Now for base-ball! All difficulties should be settled at the beginning of the coming term, in order that proper training may be entered upon at once.

E. J. Hatch, '94, remained in Lewiston for three weeks, studying a special course in electricity, then went to his home in Montville for the remainder of the vacation. He has manufactured several electrical machines, among which is an electric bell, which works very successfully. This will, however, be used exclusively by the upper classes.

The repairs and changes in the Physical Laboratory are nearly completed. Half of the adjoining hall and the Cynescan's room have been added by the removal of partitions. The walls and wood work have been painted in contrasting colors, giving the room a very attractive appearance. A long stone table has been placed in the alcove, and the case removed to another part of the room. This table rests upon brick piers, extending through the floor to the ground, and so arranged that they do not touch the building.

This alleviates all difficulties formerly experienced in using Jolly's balance, the vibrating balances, and tangent, astetic, or reflecting galvanometers. At a few feet from the stone table there will be placed a small wooden table for the reading glass, bridge, and resistance box. All the different barometers and thermometers are hung in the alcove, where they can be easily studied by comparison. A reading table and a case for reference books, furnished by the College Club, have their appropriate place. These books are: Physical Technics, Gage; Kohlrausch's Physical Measurements; Gannot's Physics; Stewart and Gee's Practical Physics, three volumes; Practical Physics, Glazebrook and Shaw; Light, Wright; Treatise on Physics, Thompson and Tait, two volumes; Electricity and Magnetism, S. Thompson; Wormells' Thermodynamics. The new instruments added recently are Bunsen's photometer, Rumford's photometer, two astetic galvanometers, tangent galvanometer, metronome, two telegraph keys, pendulum apparatus, comparison magnetometer, several commutators, several dry batteries, and induction apparatus for shocks. A heavy work table and gas fixtures have been added to the professor's private room, a chandelier in the lecture room, and slight repairs in the dark room.

Bates sends out her usual large number of teachers this winter. The following is a partial list of those who are teaching and the places where they are located. Several others are teaching whose addresses have not been reported to the STUDENT.

	'94.	Latin School. East Bowdoinham. South Lubec. Greene. Latin School. Eliot. Iceboro. Wells. Oceanville. South Turner.
H. M. Cook, S. I. Graves, J. B. Hoag, J. W. Leathers, A. J. Marsh, W. E. Page, Miss Cora B. Pennell, E. F. Pierce, A. W. Small, F. C. Thompson,	'95.	Eastport. Ashby, Mass. Mechanic Falls. North New Portland. Cape Neddick. Chebeague. Ogunquit. Latin School. Windham. Georgetown. Lubec. Burlington, Mass. Belfast. North Anson. Deer Isle.
W. S. Brown, E. G. Campbell, Miss A. W. Collins, W. M. Dutton, S. M. Farnum, Jr., W. P. Hamilton, G. A. Hutchins, H. N. Knox, J. G. Morrell, B. L. Pettigrew, T. C. Pulsifer, W. S. C. Russell, R. F. Springer, Miss M. A. Steward, C. S. Webb,	'96.	Damariscotta Mills. Auburn. Stetson. Northport. Topsham. North Livermore. Lincolnville. Machiasport. Matinicus. Georgetown. Perham. Northport. New Portland. Minot Corner. Gardiner. Scarboro. Monmouth. Phillips. Castle Hill. Phillips.
I. P. Berryman, Miss B. A. Bryant, J. B. Coy, O. F. Cutts, Miss M. E. Dolly, H. L. Douglass, H. T. Gould, E. I. Hanscom, O. E. Hanscom, A. B. Howard, Herbert Lord, L. S. Mason, Miss I. M. Parsons, W. S. Parsons, H. S. Peacock, L. G. Purinton, Miss G. B. Prescott, G. W. Thomas, L. D. Tibbetts, E. C. Vining,	'97.	Turner. Bowdoinham. Livermore. Scarboro. Wells. Lubec. Westerly, R. I. New Portland. Berlin Falls, N. H.
C. M. Barrell, E. F. Cunningham, Miss E. L. Dunn, Henry Gilman, A. C. Hanscom, Miss M. F. Knowles, J. A. Marr, A. L. Sampson, Miss I. H. Smith,		

Alumni Department.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE AS AN ELEMENT IN BUSINESS.

IT was St. Paul, I believe, who defined faith as "the substance of things hoped for, and the evidence of things not seen." St. Paul was speaking in a religious sense. Had he been talking politics or business, his definition would have been equally pertinent.

The business world to-day is absolutely without faith. The situation is anomalous and furnishes to the intelligent citizen, and especially to the student of affairs, a remarkable study.

Twelve months ago the business world was abounding in business faith. The "substance of things hoped for" was within the angle of every man's vision, and he could behold, with single eye, the "evidence of things not seen." Capital had lost its timidity, and labor was singing in exultant and forte strains, "To the work." The wheels of industry were humming; and happy, well paid, but too improvident, labor was luxuriating in the superfluities of life.

Twelve months ago the twenty million wage-earners of the nation were receiving wages whose purchasing power was never equaled in the history of the country. Invested capital was paid a fair, though not extraordinary, rate of interest. Consumption ran after production so fast that he hit his heels at every stride. Prosperity was prodigal and abundant. There was the discontent of business ambition. There was

dissatisfaction for more. There was the healthy unrest of quick blood and eager brain. But, on the whole, our country was never brighter with the promise and potency of the future.

Our foreign exchanges, too, were satisfactory. We were selling more of what we had to sell to the peoples and nations of the earth than ever before. We were buying more from them of what we wanted and they had to sell. Our home market was strong and vigorous in all its features.

The change was sudden and extraordinary. In the short space of a few brief weeks we beheld an entire transformation in the financial and business world. Banks failed by the score, corporations by the hundreds, and business men by the thousands. All over the land was financial desolation. Old men saw the savings of their entire lives vanish in a day; widows, with helpless and dependent children, lost their all. Riches took to themselves wings and flew away. And now paucity has succeeded plenty; poverty, wealth; want, abundance; idleness, employment; and hope has given place to despair. Crimes, especially larcenies, have multiplied. Men and women by thousands, able and willing to work, have been driven to beg or steal. Instances of poverty and misfortune, that have shocked our sensibilities and taxed our credulity, have repeatedly come to our notice. The picture is not overdrawn or highly colored.

The exciting cause of this extraordinary condition was a want of business confidence, a lack of business faith. Men first lost confidence in the government of the country and then in each other. The credit system, upon which the great structure of business rests, became undermined. The promise of the business man to pay at a future time became no longer acceptable. Distrust and suspicion filled all minds.

The business situation to-day—politics aside—is worthy of our observation and study. It exhibits to us distinctly one of the elements of wealth that we are accustomed to overlook. In times of general prosperity, the man of means looks upon his stocks and bonds, upon his notes and title deeds, as so much absolute wealth. He draws from them his annual income, and comes to regard them not as representing value but as value itself. He is mistaken. They represent value. They are simply the outward form which value assumes. All material things are valuable in so far only as they are useful. When they cease to be used they cease to be valuable. An idle mill does not feed the hungry, clothe the naked, or pay dividends on its stock.

Business is production, but it is consumption also. And sooner or later, in all business, consumption must equal production. But consumption is the uncertain factor, because it is the future one, and is discerned only by the eye of business faith. The business man, therefore, must be a prophet. He must anticipate consumption. If he anticipate it correctly, have confidence in his ability to so anticipate it, and act there-

upon, he will be successful; otherwise he is liable to failure. Business is, therefore, the work not of one, but of the many. It depends upon confidence in the many that each will do his part in the great work of production and consumption in the business world. When that confidence is shaken, when the business man distrusts the ability of others to perform their respective parts, then the heart of business ceases to beat, its blood to circulate, and stagnation and paralysis result. Then consumption ceases, production stops, wage-earners are turned out of employment, and there follow all the evils incident to financial panic, confusion, and disorder.

Business will revive only with the restoration of public confidence. That will be prerequisite. As confidence is restored, production and consumption will resume their functions, and advance will be again made, step by step, to a return of national prosperity.

W. H. J., '80.

WHAT SHALL WE DO WITH THE CO-ED?

To the Editors of the Student:

I NOTICED a very inspiring remark in the exchange column of your last issue. It was to the effect that other institutions, as well as Bates, were beginning to wake up to the evils of co-education and to demand a return to the old system. I have heard too much on this subject from Bates students within a few years to accuse the editor of this department of advancing his own idea simply as that of the college at large. I have heard too many of the students and alumni deplore the day

when Bates shall become a "female seminary" to be blind to the fact that he voiced the sentiment of no small number of those connected with the institution.

They draw long breaths every fall as the Freshmen file into chapel, and wonder what we are coming to. They compare the number of young ladies in the class with that of the preceding year, and shudder at the lesson it teaches them. Then they begin to discuss various ways of keeping the number down. One suggests that only a limited quota be accepted, those to be chosen by competitive examinations. Another advocate of change says let the faculty select this number according to the general benefit that would be reflected on the college, financially as well as intellectually. Still a third would take the first twenty-five that applied and stop there.

The injustice of all these methods is obvious enough, though the last is evidently the fairest of the three. The idea of turning away a dozen ambitious young ladies who had taken 90 in a competitive examination, but fell below the allotted number, while their places are filled with a crowd of boys, who are hindrance enough to their class when allowed to drag through the first term "on trial." Then, who would applaud the democratic spirit that would turn away a bright, hard-working girl without a mint of money behind her and let in some over-laced, gadding stick whose maiden aunt has a few thousand stowed away in a dilapidated stocking, somewhere? And surely the daughter of wealthy parents shouldn't be kept

out simply to give room for the poorer one.

But what then shall be done in deference to those who see a mass of evil in the growing tendency of the girls to come to Bates? That is simple enough. Let the girls alone, let co-education alone, and educate the fault-finders, the would-be reformers, up to it.

What injury do the "co-eds" do the college? Do they lower the grade of scholarship? Well, not to any great extent. If they did, they would have more friends in some quarters. Do they lower the moral tone? If they did, three-fourths of the detractors of co-education would be its most ardent supporters.

Yes; outside of a few who cannot entirely free themselves from what tradition has taught them to be the ideal college, the opponents of co-education are practically included among those who do not succeed in causing their light to shine with quite as much dazzling splendor as they anticipated, or the larger class of fellows who have a little money and who go to college largely to put in four years of "toughness,"—to free themselves of all civilized restraints, let their hair grow long, befog their brains, stew their stomachs, and blast their reputations with dissipation, and reform afterward.

I say that of those who really have any strong objections to co-education, aside from thoughtless prejudice, most of them may be found in these two classes, and it is a mistake for the body of the students to take up their rant with the idea that they are voicing public sentiment. To be sure, the num-

ber of men in the recent classes hasn't increased as rapidly as the number of ladies. But the remedy for that is to be found elsewhere. Build up instead of tearing down. Help to put more hustle into the thing. Waste less adulation on some meddlesome "sissy," who comes here with his mind bent on reforming everybody's business but his own. Give the same attention to the encouragement of a broad, independent individuality among the students. Then make a protest and keep it up until certain Senior year books, whose mazes would have made the Minotaur himself seasick, are displaced by some in which an ordinary mortal of the nineteenth century can see a grain of sense. And, above all, stop this ranting against co-education even if it doesn't seem quite so smart.

Then there will be no trouble about the proportion of young men in the class being kept up. And the time may come, even, when fifty or sixty bright, honest, industrious young ladies, against whom there is not a shadow of suspicion, will not be called up to sign a code of rules and regulations for their private conduct that would do justice to an English convict deported to Australia on a ticket-o'-leave.

W. B. SKELTON.

PERSONALS.

'67.—Prof. J. H. Rand is making an extensive vacation tour, visiting Brown University, Princeton, University of Pennsylvania, Johns Hopkins, and the city of Washington.

'68.—Prof. George C. Chase was elected president of the Maine School-

masters' Club at its annual meeting at Waterville, November 24th.

'69.—Addison Small has resigned the position of Treasurer of Bates College.

'70.—Josiah Chase, Esq., of Portland, of the Committee of Finance and Oversight for Bates, was in Lewiston recently.

'70.—Professor L. G. Jordan is about to move into his beautiful new house on Frye Street.

'70.—F. W. Baldwin, D.D., Orange, N. J., has a rapidly increasing congregation which already nearly fills his commodious new church.

'74.—Rev. J. H. Hoffman, pastor of the Congregational church in Kearney, Neb., is in the lecture field with several popular lecturers.

'74.—Judge Ruel Rogers is the subject of a biographical sketch in a recent article in the *Lewiston Journal* devoted to the eminent citizens of Belfast.

'77.—G. A. Stuart is acting president of the Maine Pedagogical Society.

'78.—F. H. Briggs, Esq., has become an active member of the firm of Ara Cushman & Co., Auburn.

'80.—Rev. F. L. Hayes of Minneapolis is president of the Pastors' Union of that city.

'80.—W. H. Judkins, Esq., is to continue his legal business at the offices lately occupied by Newell & Judkins.

'80.—Born in Kansas City, Mo., November 18th, to the wife of Ernest H. Farrar, a son.

'81.—Rev. W. W. Hayden has entered upon his duties as pastor of the Free Baptist church in Brockton, Mass.

'81.—F. H. Wilbur of Camden read a paper at the recent meeting of the Knox County Teachers' Association.

'81.—Rev. B. S. Rideout is giving an interesting and able course of Sunday evening lectures at Norway.—*Lewiston Journal*, December 1st.

'82.—G. P. Emmons, M.D., Superintendent of the Central Maine General Hospital, has published an interesting report for 1892-93.

'83.—O. L. Frisbee has published an attractive prospectus of the immense Lookout Mountain Hotel at Lookout Mountain, Tenn. Mr. Frisbee is manager.

'84.—Miss Ella Knowles, who was an unsuccessful candidate for the Attorney-Generalship of Montana, and was then appointed assistant by her successful competitor, recently secured in favor of her state, before the Interior Department in Washington, a decision involving about \$200,000 of school lands in Montana.—*The Outlook*, December 2d.

'84.—D. L. Whitmarsh has been elected principal of the high school, Whitman, Mass. Upon leaving Farmington he was presented with a gold watch by the pupils of the high school.

'85.—Rev. E. B. Stiles, lately returned from the mission field in India, was recently in Lewiston.

'85.—Mrs. Ada (Tucker) Stiles has sufficiently recovered her health at the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital to go to her father's home in Norway, Me.

'86.—Professor W. H. Hartshorn

read a paper on Physics at the recent meeting of the Knox County Teachers' Association, and in the evening delivered an address on "What Can We Learn in Germany?"

'87.—F. W. Chase, principal of the Lewiston Grammar School, has begun house-keeping on Davis Street, in this city.

'87.—P. R. Howe, D.D.S., has opened an office in Osgood Block, Lewiston.

'88.—H. Hatter, of Storer College, has secured a valuable patent for a machine for harvesting Indian corn.

'88.—W. L. Powers has introduced a course in mechanical drawing in the Gardiner High School.

'89.—Born in Denver, Colorado, November 18th, to the wife of G. H. Libby, a daughter.

'89.—J. F. Hilton, M.D., for two years a member of '89, is having a successful practice in Lewiston.

'89.—B. E. Sinclair, of Westbrook, for two years a member of '89, took an active part in the Cumberland County Teachers' Association at its recent meeting at Brunswick.

'89.—Rev. Blanche A. Wright is pastor of the Church of the Reconciliation, Newport, N. Y., and of the Church of the Messiah, Middleville, N. Y.

'90.—F. L. Day has been appointed Senior House Physician and Surgeon to Bridgeport, Conn., Hospital.

'91.—William S. Mason is principal of Watson Academy, Epping, N. H.

'91.—Miss A. A. Beal, who is in Redlands, Cal., at last accounts was improving in health.

'92.—E. W. Emery is superintending the business of his father, who died recently.

'92.—Scott Wilson, in addition to teaching in the Haverford College Grammar School, is attending lectures

in the law department the University of Pennsylvania.

'92.—A. D. Shepard is meeting with excellent success as Superintendent of Schools, Pascoag, R. I. He has been holding a series of Teachers' Institutes.

'93.—N. C. Bruce is having excellent success in his work at Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C.

College Exchanges.

AS we look over the exchanges for the last time before passing the scissors and paste-pot to our successor, a few general observations with respect to so-called "College Journalism" may not seem amiss. In the first place, then, "college journalism," like a certain well-known patent medicine, is "peculiar to itself." It cannot be judged according to ordinary literary standards. It embraces, in its treatment, a broad variety of subjects, but they are of such a character as to interest only the student mind, and that from a critical standpoint rather than any intrinsic value. As might well be expected, the great mass of student literary work bears unmistakably the mark of immaturity. The writer aims to produce an effect. He is unable, as yet, to do much original thinking; so he seeks to attain his end by forcing the language. Like many a more experienced man, he takes a club to crush a mosquito. This is almost universally the case with the "heavy articles."

With respect to the lighter work, sketches, stories and the like, there is the same fault, though perhaps to a less degree. A hero waxes passionate where no occasion for passion can be discovered. This is not at all artistic, of course, and wearies a reader sorely. But occasionally in the better college Lit's one may come upon a sketch, or criticism, or story of real merit. These grains of wheat in the great mass of worthless chaff are a most grateful relief from the general monotony. With college verse less fault can be found. It cannot be called poetry and does not aspire to that name. A humorous conceit in rhyme, an unexpected play of words, this constitutes a large part of the undergraduate verse. Poor enough stuff it is to the really critical, but it certainly indicates, better than anything else, the jolly light-heartedness of the average student; and it furnishes an always welcome opportunity to laugh. The college man is capable of better work, however, in this

line, and really good verses are not at all rare. Below will be found examples from the exchanges of the past month:

SORCERY.

Pale are the upturned faces of the roses,
The dew-drenched roses, when the mystic
moon
(Bending above them in her highest noon),
Searches with phantom hands the laurel
closes.

At her magic touch the owlet dozes,
The brook says "hush!" and in a pallid swoon
Under that lunar spell, the flowers commune
With Death; and no good angel interposes.
All silently the petals part and fall
In ghastly spirals to the sodden ground,
Like butterflies, uncertain where to rest;
Within that tranced garden not a sound
Shivers the crystal silence; but a pall
Of darkness hides the moon deep in the west.
—*Harvard Advocate*.

EVENING.

On dreary marsh-land darkness settles low,
The sky is dull and gray, save far away
A cold, pale brightness marks the orb of day
Far down the west. Faint ghost of ruddy
glow
The sunset comes and goes. The shadows grow
So long that all is shadow, and the gray

Of twilight falls. On silent pools yet stray
Reflections of the latest gleams, then go.
The fringing alders by the black brook blend
Into a wall of deepening gloom. Below,
So stilly glides the stream, I scarce can hear
Its mournful murmuring, though strained my
ear.

Athwart my way a light gleams that I know.
A latch is lifted: left the drear day's end.
—*Trinity Tablet*.

CLOUDLAND.

Over the hills at the close of day,
Gazing with listless, seeming eyes,
Margery watches them sail away,
The sunlit clouds of the western skies.

Margery sighs with a vague regret,
As slowly they fade from gold to gray,
Till night has come and the sun has set,
And the clouds have drifted beyond the day.

What are you dreaming, my little maid?
For yours are beautiful thoughts, I know.
What were the words that the wild wind said
And where, in the dark, did the cloud-ships
go?

Come through the window and touch her hair,
Wind of the vast and starry deep!
And tell her not of this old world's care,
But kiss her softly and let her sleep.
—*Columbia Lit.*

College Notes.

Middlebury College of Middlebury, Vt., will receive from the estate of Charles J. Starr of New York the sum of \$150,000. Mr. Starr has given to this institution almost \$250,000 at different times.

The rules of Oberlin College require students "to be in their rooms by 10 o'clock P.M." They say also that "gentlemen are not permitted to call on ladies during study hours."

Harvard has established a meteorological office on top of the volcano of Arequipa, Peru, 19,000 feet above sea level.

The University of Chicago has decided to erect the observatory for the great telescope presented by Mr. Yerkes, at Lake Geneva, Wis., about three hours' ride from Chicago, provided a site of forty-five acres and \$100,000 can be secured.

A course in physical culture is opened at Yale this year for the Senior class. Recitations will be held in the gymnasium and instruction given in Swedish, German, and American methods.

"Why do you speak in such sharp tones?"

She asked her lord in some surprise.

"I have to, love," he heartless said,

"Since I must get them in edgewise."

—*Ex.*

Beloit has secured for its museum the Rust archæological collection worth \$15,000, which has been on exhibition at the World's Fair. It includes some 3,000 specimens of arrow-heads and pottery, gathered by Major H. M. Rust of California.

The Wesleyan faculty have promised to send their Glee Club on several trips each year, and to make up any financial loss which may be occasioned in so doing.

By the will of Martin S. Eichelberger of York, Pa., Yale recently received a gift of \$85,000. No conditions were made in regard to the use of the money.

The first woman in the world to receive the degree of electrical engineer is Miss Bertha Lamens of Springfield, O. She is a graduate of the Ohio State University, where she led her class through the entire course.

The foot-ball team of North Carolina is said to be the heaviest team in the country. The average weight of the team is 182 pounds.

At the University of Wisconsin a rank of 85 per cent. in daily or term work exempts a student from examinations.

The Kansas State University has one woman in the law department. She is called sister-in-law.—*Ex.*

The Yale Boat Club's total expenditures for 1892 and 1893 were \$13,902.05.

Statistics for this country give 52 law schools with 345 instructors and 3,906 students.

Wellesley College has 746 students of whom 290 are Freshmen.

There are 117 colleges represented among the graduates studying at Columbia.

There are 130 students in the law school of the University of California.

Plans are on foot at the University of California for the suppression of cheating in examinations.

The University of Wisconsin has challenged the University of Michigan to a joint debate.

'Twas a lovely moonlight evening.

As on the porch we sat,

And I asked what for her birthday

I should give my darling pet.

She looked up smiling in my eyes,

Her cheeks grew red and hot,—

"Why, Charley, you forget—yourself."

I offered on the spot.

—*Brunonian.*

Mr. Joseph Pulitzer has given \$100,000 to Columbia College.

There are 193 college papers in the United States.

The Dartmouth library is open to students Sunday afternoons.

The Yale commons has a seating capacity of 420.

Cornell offers a course in Russian language and literature.

Student self-government will be tried at Cornell for a year.

For fifty years no smoker has graduated from Harvard with the honors of his class.

The University of Michigan has fifty of its own graduates on its faculty.

The College of South Carolina is soon to be closed for lack of students.

Exeter intends building a dormitory costing \$65,000 in honor of Dr. Peabody.

One hundred and two members of the House of Representatives are college graduates.

There are 77,000 members of the Greek-letter fraternities in the United States.

Columbia offers free tuition for the course, which is equivalent to \$600, to the Freshman passing the best examination.

According to President Harper of Chicago University, college presidents receive salaries ranging from \$620 to \$10,000, with an average of \$3,047.

Only 500 of the 1,000 applicants for admission to the new Armour Institute in Chicago can be accommodated.

The Freshman class at the University of Wisconsin numbers 280, the largest in the history of that institution.

The Vassar girls take proper pride in the fact that none of their graduates have ever been divorced.

The University of Chicago is about to make an attempt to combine the Chicago medical schools into a great medical college which will rival the best European institutions. Preliminary steps in this direction have already been taken.

"*Tempus fugit*," said the Romans;
Yes, alas, 'tis fleeting on;
Ever coming,
Ever going,
Life is short and soon 'tis gone.

But as I think of next vacation,
Pouring o'er these lessons huge,
Ever harder,
Ever longer,
All I say is, "Let her *fuge*."

Chicago University has purchased for \$80,000 the library and manuscript of the historian Bancroft.

In the opening address President Schurman of Cornell threatened suspension for any participant in an under-class rush, or for even a by-stander.

"Sing a song of side-shows,
A pocket full of tin;
Costs you forty dollars
To take the Midway in."
—*Sequoia*.

By a judicious arrangement of receptions to the entering class, the Harvard faculty succeeded in doing away with "Bloody Monday" this year.

Of the 280 Sophomores at Yale, 149 refused mathematics, 57 Greek, 27 Latin, and but three English. The class will be divided on the line of those who do not take mathematics.



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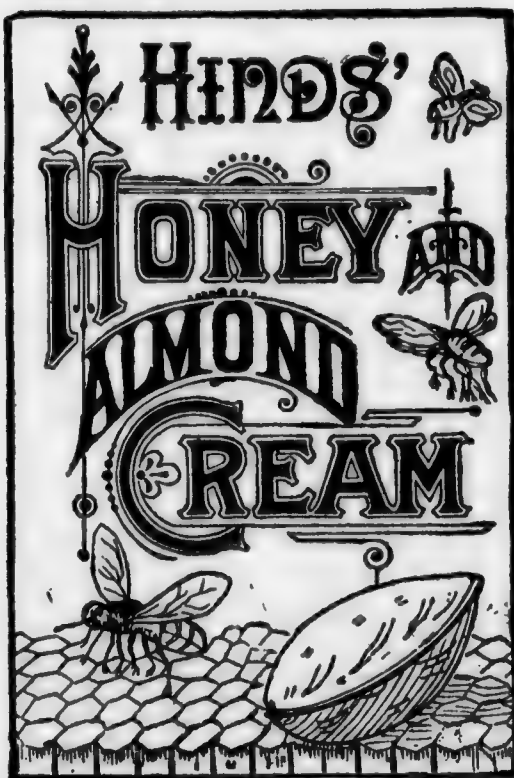
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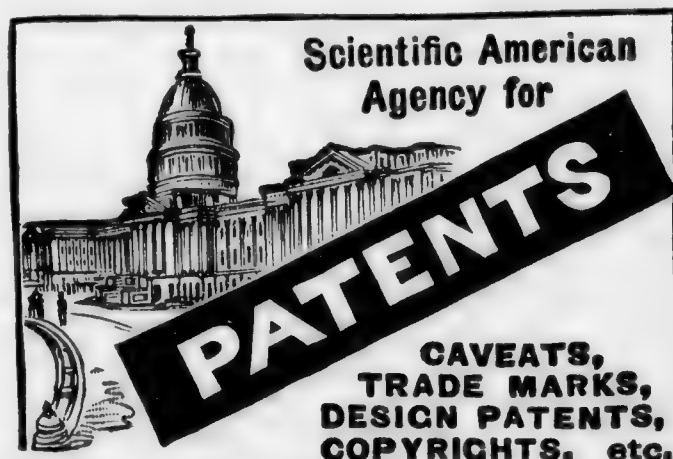
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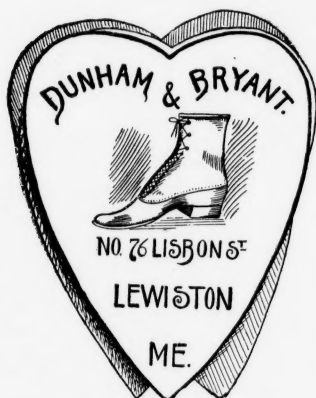
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